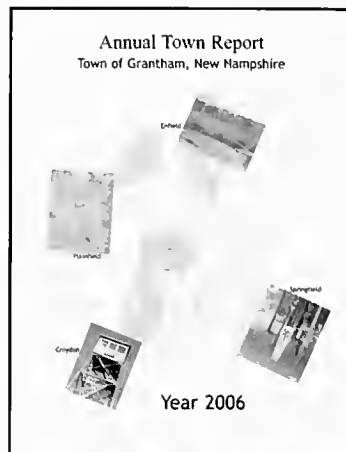


# *Annual Report*

## Town of Grantham, NH



# Year 2007



*Town Administrator Tina Stearns accepts the 2nd place award for the 2006 Town Report at the LGC Conference in November.*

#### *Front Cover*

*Thanks to the Activities Director Laurie Field for the hometown scarecrows that adorned the roads of Grantham.*

*Watch for them again in the fall...you never know where one might turn up.*

*During 2007, the Town of Grantham lost many wonderful residents. Among them were:*

*Selectman Bill Hutchins  
Health Officer Ken Kerwin and  
Fire Dept. Treasurer Bob Guyette.*

# Town of Grantham

## New Hampshire



# Annual Town Report

## For Fiscal Year 2007

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## Dedication

The Board of Selectmen proudly dedicates the 2007 Grantham Annual Town Report to

### Herman Barton

*a true Granthamite*

*well...actually born in Springfield  
but moved to Grantham when he was 3 years old  
(call it close enough!)*



*Construction Worker*

*Ex-Officio Director  
Mount Trashmore*

*Husband, Father, Uncle, Friend*

*Crossing Guard*

*Olde Yankee  
Sense of Humor*

*NH Native ~ Solid as a Rock!*

*Be more concerned with your character than with your  
reputation. Your character is what you really are while  
your reputation is merely what others think you are.*

*Dale Carnegie*



## **TOWN INFORMATION**

[www.granthamnh.net](http://www.granthamnh.net)

**SELECTMEN'S OFFICE/TOWN ADMINISTRATOR;** 300 Rte 10 S; 603-863-6021; fax 603-863-3961

Hours: Monday .....8am - 5pm  
Tuesday .....8am - 5pm  
Wednesday .....8am - 5pm  
Thursday .....8am - 5pm  
Friday .....8am - 4pm

**TOWN CLERK / TAX COLLECTOR;** PO Box 135; 300 Rte 10 S; 603-863-5608; fax 603-863-4499

Hours: Monday .....8am - 5pm  
Tuesday .....8am - 5pm & 7pm - 9pm  
Wednesday .....8am - 5pm & 7pm - 9pm  
Thursday .....8am - 5pm  
Friday .....Closed

**HIGHWAY DEPT / ROAD AGENT;** 36 Dunbar Hill Road; 603-863-9156; fax 603-863-3961

**POLICE DEPT;** PO Box 704; 300 Rte 10 S; 603-863-6844; fax 603-863-8152; Non-Emergency 24-Hour Dispatch 603-863-3232; EMERGENCY 911

**FIRE DEPT / BURN PERMITS;** PO Box 80; 251 Rte 10 S; 603-863-5710

Burn Permits Issued on Tuesdays & Fridays from 6:30pm - 8pm

**DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY;** PO Box 1580; 401 Rte 10 S; 603-863-2172

Hours: Monday .....9am - 5pm & 6:30pm - 8:30pm  
Tuesday .....Closed  
Wednesday .....9am - 5pm & 6:30pm - 8:30pm  
Thursday .....9am - 5pm  
Friday .....9am - 12Noon  
Saturday .....9am - 2pm

**TRANSFER STATION AKA MOUNT TRASHMORE;** 1150 Rte 114; 603-863-9713; fax 603-863-3961

Hours: Monday .....8am - 12Noon  
Tuesday .....Closed  
Wednesday .....1pm - 4pm  
Thursday .....Closed  
Friday .....10am - 12Noon & 1pm - 4pm  
Saturday .....8am - 12Noon  
Sunday .....1pm - 4pm

### **MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE**

Board of Selectmen - 2nd & 4th Wednesday @ 5pm

Planning Board - 1st Thursday @ 7pm

Zoning Board - 4th Thursday @ 7pm

Conservation Commission - 3rd Monday @ 7pm



# THE WHO'S WHO OF GRANTHAM NH

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

### TERM EXPIRES

Harold Haddock, Jr.

March, 2009

Constance A. Jones

March, 2010

Alden H. Pillsbury (*appointed to complete William E. Hutchins' term*)

March, 2008

## MODERATOR

Victoria Smith ..... March, 2008

Kenneth Story, Assistant

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR** - Tina Stearns

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT** - Melissa White

**RECEPTIONIST/OFFICE ASSISTANT** - Martha Menard

## TOWN CLERK / TAX COLLECTOR

Rita Eigenbrode ..... March, 2010

Cynthia Towle, Deputy

## TOWN TREASURER

Christopher Morris ..... March, 2008

*Deputies:* Stephen Adamic, John Trethaway

## CEMETERY TRUSTEES

G. Warren Kimball ..... March, 2008

Thomas "Ed" Buckman ..... March, 2009

Arnold "Andy" Anderson ..... March, 2010

**CEMETERY SEXTON** - Warren Legacy

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION (*Appointed*)

Richard Hocker ..... March, 2009

Andy Eastman ..... March, 2009

Jeremy Turner ..... March, 2008

Adele Furdyna ..... March, 2008

*Alternates:* Patricia Woolson, Merle Schotanus

## DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Donna Stamper ..... March, 2008

Donald Noordsy ..... March, 2009

Judith Danzoll ..... March, 2009

Cynthia Towle ..... March, 2010

Joy Lamont ..... March, 2010

**LIBRARIAN** - Dawn E.S. Huston; B. Joey Holmes, Assistant



**PLANNING BOARD**

Carl Hanson .....March, 2009  
 Alden Pillsbury .....March, 2010  
 Charles McCarthy .....March, 2008  
 Karen Ryan .....March, 2009  
*Alternates:* Larry Fuller, Robert Barnes  
*Clerk:* Martha Menard

**SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST**

Donna Stamper .....March, 2008  
 Sandra Noordsy .....March, 2010  
 Janet Goodrow .....March, 2012

**TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS**

Todd McIntire .....March, 2010  
 Connie Howard .....March, 2009  
 Stephen Handley .....March, 2008

**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (*Appointed*)**

Conrad Frey .....March, 2010  
 Richard Mansfield .....March, 2008  
 John Clayton .....March, 2008  
 Peter Gardiner .....March, 2009  
 Tanya McIntire .....March, 2009  
*Alternates:* Myron Cummings, Margery Bostrom  
*Clerk:* Martha Menard

**ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR - Laurie Field**

**BALL FIELD COMMITTEE** - Richard Anderson, Todd Cartier, James Hunt, Justin Bitler, Marsha Googins, Jennifer Chickering, Don Gobin, Mike Moon, Laura Turner

**BUILDING MAINTENANCE MANAGER - F. Robert Osgood****BUILDING PERMIT SUPERVISOR - Roger Woodworth**

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN COMMITTEE** - Roger Woodworth, Bruce St.Peter, Mary Hutchins, Alan Tanenbaum, Charles McCarthy, Bob Friday, Bill Zimmerman, Bob Champagne, Karen Ryan

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR - F. Robert Osgood****F.A.S.T. SQUAD**

Stuart Gillespie, *Coordinator*  
 Jeff Figley, *Assistant Coordinator & Training Officer*  
 Susan Figley, *Secretary*  
 Jane Chipman, *Treasurer*  
*Members:* Jeremiah Fountain, Bruce Chipman, Kevin LaHaye, William Roy, Morgan Figley, Jill Davis, Tony LeJeune, Lori Avery

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Michael Benoit, *Chief*  
 Chris Palermo, *Deputy Chief*  
 Doug Demers, *Captain*

*Members:* Donald Barton, Francis Mutney, James Palermo, Michael Palermo, Rosie Bard, Robin Palermo, Jeremiah Fountain, Justin Hastings, David Beckley, Michael Durkin, Wayne Small, Richard Covill, Barry Sleath, Kevin LaHaye, James Groucher, Bill Rigby, Tony LeJuene, Melissa Hautaniemi, Leslie Pike, Chris Boyes

**FIRE WARDEN** - Michael Benoit

**HEALTH OFFICER** - Robin Saunders, *Deputy* Charles McCarthy

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Russell E. Lary, *Chief*  
 Walter Madore, Sr., *Captain*  
 Tom Harriman, *Officer*  
 John Parsons, *D.A.R.E. Officer & Prosecutor*  
 Wendy Wallace, *Dept. Secretary*  
*Specials:* Michael Szelangowski, Robert Schwartz, Massad Ayoob, Tim Julian

**RECREATION DIRECTOR** - Marsha Googins

**REPS TO THE GENERAL COURT** - Matthew Houde, Carla Skinder, Peter Hoe Burling

**REP TO NH/VT SOLID WASTE**  
 Arthur Magowan

**RECYCLING COMMITTEE** - Arthur Magowan, Frank Chaisson, Matt Gallien, Myron Cummings

**SCHOOL BOARD**

Cynthia Chew .....	March, 2008
Leslie Brown .....	March, 2009
Laurie Hanks .....	March, 2009
Doug Caffrey .....	March, 2010
Jeffrey Walla .....	March, 2010

**SAU #75**

Margaret Sullivan, *Superintendent*  
 Kelly Cornish, *Administrative Assistant*

**HIGHWAY**

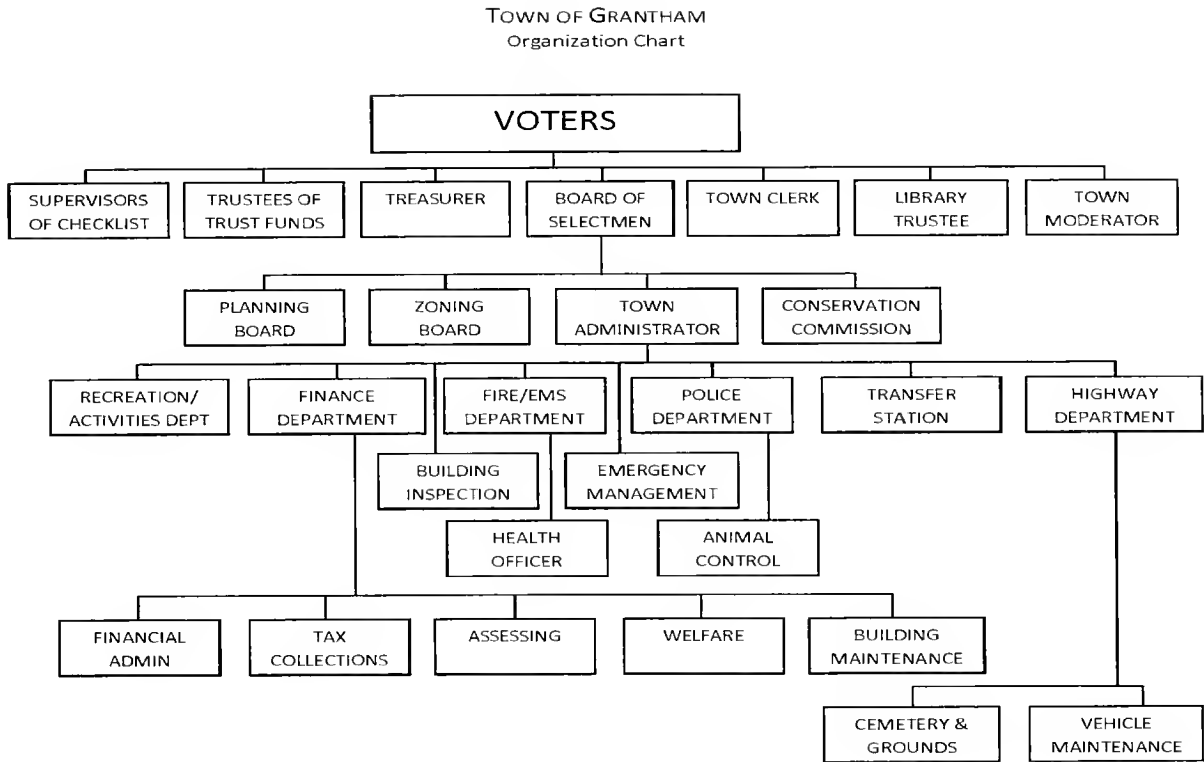
Joseph Newcomb, *Road Agent*  
 Jeffrey Hastings, *Asst. Road Agent*

**TOWN ARCHIVIST** - Lea Frey

**TRANSFER STATION**

Frank Chaisson, *Supervisor*  
*Attendants:* Raymond Hamilton; Ron Fowler

**WELFARE OFFICIAL** - Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator



The true heart and soul of our organization are the

VOLUNTEERS...

THEY ARE WORTH THEIR  
WEIGHT IN GOLD!



*Volunteers*

*Making Things Happen*

## RIGHT~TO~KNOW LAW

**What is the “Right-to-Know” Law, RSA 91:A?** It is New Hampshire’s statute that emphasizes that the business of the Town is the public’s business. It makes clear that, with very few exceptions, the public has access to Town records and meetings held in connection with Town Government.

**Who does it cover?** All of us, whether we are elected officials, employees or volunteers serving on boards of the Town of Grantham.

**What does it cover?** It covers all “meetings”. A “meeting” occurs whenever a quorum of a Board, Committee or Subcommittee has supervision, control, jurisdiction or advisory power. The law also requires that the business of a Board be conducted at a meeting, rather than by telephone, e-mail or private gathering of individuals.

**If it is a meeting, what does that mean?** A notice of the time and place must be posted at least 24 hours in advance (excluding Sundays and legal holidays) in at least two (2) public places. The public is entitled to attend and may record or videotape the proceeding. All votes, with the very few exceptions itemized below, must be taken in open session and not be secret ballot. Minutes must be taken and made available to the public within 144 hours.

**When can we hold a nonpublic session?** Rarely. The Right-to-Know Law lists certain limited situations, which allow a Board to go into nonpublic session. Those situations are: Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees, RSA 91-A:3, II (a). Consideration of the hiring of a public employee, RSA 91-A:3, II (b). Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person - however, this cannot be used to protect a person who is a member of your board, committee or subcommittee, RSA 91-A:3, II (c). Consideration of the purchase, sale, or lease of real or personal property, RSA 91-A:3, II (d). Discussion of pending or threatened (in writing) litigation, RSA 91-A:3, II (e).

**How do we go into nonpublic session?** A motion must be made which specifically identifies the statutory category which is the reason for going into nonpublic session, and then a roll call must be taken in which each member’s vote on the motion must be recorded.

**If we go into nonpublic session, what then?** Minutes must be taken just as you would in an open session. Decisions can be made in nonpublic sessions. You must stick to the subject which was the reason for going into the nonpublic session; if there is need to discuss other matters which discussion would be covered by a different exemption, you need to first come out of nonpublic session and then vote to go back in under that different exception. It is only in this way that a proper record can be prepared for public review. The minutes from the nonpublic session must be made public within 72 hours unless two-thirds of the members, while in nonpublic session, determine that the divulgence of the information likely would adversely effect the reputation of any person other than a member of the Board, Committee or Subcommittee, or render the circumstances, the minutes may be withheld until those circumstances no longer apply. Action required to sequester.

**Which Public Records are accessible?** The public has access to all records held by the town except to the extent they may fall under one of the exemptions listed above.

**How quickly do the records need to be supplied?** If the requested record cannot conveniently be made available immediately, there is a deadline of five (5) business days for complying with the request.

**If there is a question as to whether something is open to the public, what do I do?** Consult with the Selectmen and they will get advice from town counsel, if necessary.

**In what format can the public demand that town records be produced?** Most records are available for photocopying, but the Right-to-Know Law also extends the right to obtain computer disks of material already in the town's computers. A reasonable charge can be made to cover the cost of providing the copies or disks. In no case, however, does a member of the public have the right to demand that the town collect, search for, or arrange information that is not already pulled together for the town's own purposes.

*This document is intended as a general outline of the "Right-to-Know" Law and is somewhat simplified for ease of use. If you have any questions, please contact the Board of Selectmen.*



## **2007 TOWN MEETING RULES**

1. Non-voters who are not officers of the town may be allowed to address the meeting only if the town votes to permit it.
2. All voters will direct their remarks to the moderator. Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she will address the moderator and identify him or herself.
3. Unless superseded by State law, reconsideration of a vote on any article should be brought up immediately after the vote has been declared. A vote on the issuance of bonds or notes over \$100,000 cannot be reconsidered at the same meeting. The town may also vote to restrict reconsideration of any other vote in the same manner.
4. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot vote when five voters make a written request prior to a voice or show of hands vote on any article open for discussion.
5. Any ruling by the moderator can be challenged. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot when seven or more voters question any non-ballot vote immediately after the vote is declared, and before any other business is conducted.
6. All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to discussion of the amendment.
7. Registered voters only will be seated in the center section of the meeting hall. Non-voters will be seated in the visitor's gallery located in the area bounded by the pillars and the inside wall of the meeting hall.



*Capt. Walter Madore Sr. greets a future Grantham voter.*

**TOWN OF GRANTHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE****TOWN MEETING WARRANT  
YEAR 2008**

SS. STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SULLIVAN COUNTY

To the inhabitants of the Town of Grantham, in Sullivan County, in the State of New Hampshire, *who are qualified to vote in town affairs:*

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Grantham will be held at the **Grantham Town Hall, 300 Route 10 South** on **Tuesday, March 11, 2008** at **5:00 p.m.** to act on the following subjects. **Articles 1 - 3** shall be by ballot at the polls which shall be open from 10:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. The remaining articles shall be considered during the business meeting beginning at 5:00 p.m.

**ARTICLE 1 – Election of Officers**

To choose by ballot and major vote for the ensuing years as enumerated:

Selectman	3 years
Treasurer	3 years
Town Moderator	2 years
Planning Board	3 years
Library Trustee	3 years
Cemetery Trustee	3 years
Trustee of Trust Funds	3 years
Supervisor of Checklist	6 years

**ARTICLE 2 – Building Code Changes**

Are you in favor of amendments to the Grantham Building Code, as follows:

Article I – Purpose and Authority: “In accordance with New Hampshire RSA 675:3, the Town of Grantham hereby adopts the *Current version of the “New Hampshire Building Code” or “State Building Code” as defined in Chapter 155-A:1, Title XII, Public Safety and Welfare*, as the Grantham Building Code for the purpose of preserving the public health, safety, welfare and convenience and to insure any proposed building site is reasonably safe from flood hazards. *The State Building Code includes by reference, The International Building Code 2006, The International Plumbing Code 2006, The International Mechanical Code 2006, The International Energy Code 2006 and The International Residential Code 2006 as published by the International Code Council and The National Electrical Code 2005. The effective date for this Grantham Building Code shall be March 11, 2008.*”

Article VI – General Building Permit: “H. Permit Time Limits: Any work for which a permit has been issued by the Building Inspector for any construction shall be actively prosecuted as follows: Appreciable Start: Residences – 4 months from date of approval (foundation in and capped). All other work – 6 months from date of approval to actively prosecute and/or make appreciable start.”

Article IX – Code Compliance Inspections: “When construction begins, the following code compliance inspections, to be conducted by the Building Inspector, MUST BE REQUESTED IN ADVANCE:

- a) Foundation footings, forms and reinforcement, if applicable. Lot pins must be in place at this inspection to assure set back requirements are met. If the pins are not there, or they cannot be verified, the construction will not be approved or allowed to continue. DO NOT POUR CONCRETE UNTIL THE ABOVE HAS BEEN APPROVED.
- b) Foundation – insulation, waterproofing, and drainage, prior to back-filling.
- c) Structural – rough frame, electrical and plumbing prior to covering.
- d) Inspection of the heating system and/or wood burning stove. All underground fuel tanks and piping must be inspected prior to back-filling.
- e) Final inspection.

#### Certificate of Occupancy

You may not use or occupy a building or structure, in whole or in part, until Certificate of Occupancy has been issued. You must forward the Certificate of Occupancy request (part of the Building Permit Application) to the Building Inspector at the Town Administrator’s Office, 300 Rt. 10 S, Grantham, NH 03753, at least 10 days prior to issuance.

If you have any questions or wish to contact any of the above mentioned departments, please call:

- Building Inspector..... 863-6021
- Town Administrator’s Office ..... 863-6021

The Town is presently using the “New Hampshire Build Code”, copies of which are available for viewing at the Grantham Town Hall, Town Administrator’s Office.”

RECOMMENDED BY THE MAJORITY OF THE PLANNING BOARD

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

#### ARTICLE 3 – Petitioned – Official Ballot Voting (SB2)

“Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town of Grantham on the second Tuesday of March?”

By Petition: Special Warrant Article: (3/5 majority vote required)

NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_



**ARTICLE 4 – Purchase of Recreation Land and Facility**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$475,000) for the purchase of Grantham Tax Map 241 Lots 5 & 6 for the use as town recreation and to authorize the withdrawal of one hundred forty thousand dollars (\$140,000) from the Ball Field Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of three hundred thirty-five thousand dollars (\$335,000) to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 5 – General Government**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$865,137 to defray the cost of **General Government** operations.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Budget 2007/08</b>	<b>Proposed 2008/09</b>
Selectmen's Office	119,884	153,725
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	93,436	97,700
Supervisors of the Checklist	7,901	7,906
Financial Administration	76,499	62,000
Tax Maps/Assessing	40,000	30,000
Legal	15,000	15,000
Personnel Administration	309,482	358,450
Planning Board	8,200	7,800
Zoning Board of Adjustment	3,750	3,400
General Government Building	84,200	81,500
Archives Building	4,200	6,850
Cemeteries	15,000	15,000
Insurance	31,000	23,000
Regional Associations	2,750	2,806
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>811,302</b>	<b>865,137</b>

**ARTICLE 6 – Public Safety**

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of **\$545,961** to defray the cost of **Public Safety** operations.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Budget 2007/08</b>	<b>Proposed 2008/09</b>
Police Department	357,936	376,329
FAST Squad	51,053	52,037
Fire Department	110,668	100,220
Forest Fire	375	375
Building Inspection	5,150	5,500
Emergency Management	10,050	11,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>535,232</b>	<b>545,961</b>

**ARTICLE 7 – Public Works**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$633,780** to defray the cost of **Public Works** operation.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Budget 2007/08</b>	<b>Proposed 2008/09</b>
Highway Administration	157,917	162,280
Highway Maintenance	129,000	138,000
Street Lights	2,600	3,000
Transfer Station	130,950	141,000
Waste Disposal	185,000	182,500
Landfill Monitoring	8,000	7,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>613,467</b>	<b>633,780</b>

**ARTICLE 8 – Health and Welfare**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$21,263** to defray the cost of **Health and Welfare** operations.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Budget 2007/08</b>	<b>Proposed 2008/09</b>
Boarding Animals	1,000	1,000
Community Services	11,832	12,763
Town General Assistance	7,500	7,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20,332</b>	<b>21,263</b>

**ARTICLE 9 – Culture and Recreation**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$196,513** for **Culture and Recreation**.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Budget 2007/08</b>	<b>Proposed 2008/09</b>
Recreation	23,400	25,775
Dunbar Free Library	141,274	146,803
Activities	21,800	23,435
Archives	500	500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>186,974</b>	<b>196,513</b>

**ARTICLE 10 – Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Notes**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$115,720** for  
**Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Notes.**

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Budget 2007/08</b>	<b>Proposed 2008/09</b>
Conservation Commission	1,600	1,100
Bond Payment	135,000	65,000
Bond Interest	59,963	49,520
Tax Anticipation Notes Interest	100	100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>196,663</b>	<b>115,720</b>

**ARTICLE 11 – Capital Reserve Funds**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$86,000** to be placed in previously  
established **Capital Reserve Funds.**

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Budget 2007/08</b>	<b>Proposed 2008/09</b>
Fire Department Capital Reserve	25,000	25,000
Ball Field Capital Reserve	100,000	0
Highway Equip Capital Reserve	25,000	30,000
Town Office Equip Capital Reserve	1,500	1,000
Transfer Station Capital Reserve	10,000	10,000
Police Vehicle Capital Reserve	0	20,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>161,500</b>	<b>86,000</b>

**ARTICLE 12 – Police Department Cruiser**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-three thousand  
dollars (**\$33,000**) for the purchase of an additional cruiser for the Police Department.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 13 – Fire Truck**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred forty thousand dollars (**\$340,000**) to purchase a new fire truck and authorize the withdrawal of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The remainder of two hundred forty thousand dollars (\$240,000) to come from taxation.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 14 – Fire Department Jaws of Life Tool Replacement**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty- two thousand dollars (**\$22,000**) to purchase a new Jaws of Life Tool and authorize the withdrawal of twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000) from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. *No amount to be raised from taxation.*

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 15 – Transfer Station Containers**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (**\$15,000**) to purchase Transfer Station Compactor Containers and authorize the withdrawal of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) from the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. *No amount to be raised from taxation.*

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 16 – Dunbar Free Library Windows**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars (**\$12,000**) for the replacement of the 12 double hung windows in the original portion of the Dunbar Free Library.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 17 – Establish Dunbar Free Library Capital Reserve Fund**

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a future addition to the Dunbar Free Library and to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (**\$50,000**) to be placed in this fund.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 18 – Woodland Heights**

To see if the town will vote to accept Woodlands Heights as a Class V road, such acceptance to be final upon the completion of necessary action of the Board of Selectmen once it has received approval of the as-built drawings, drainage easements from all property owners and the Selectmen are satisfied that the road has been brought up to standards set by the Board for Woodland Heights.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

**ARTICLE 19 – Transfer Property to Grantham School District**

To see if the Town will vote to allow the conveyance of +/- 24 acres of the proposed subdivision for Tax Map 233 Lot 075, currently known as 75 Learning Drive, to the Grantham School District.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

*The proposed subdivision will split the existing 35 acre lot into three (3) lots: School = 24 acres; Fire Department = 3 acres; Memorial Cemetery = 8 acres*

**ARTICLE 20 – Property Tax Resolution**

To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor:

Resolved: We the citizens of Grantham, NH believe in a New Hampshire that is just and fair. The property tax has become unjust and unfair. State leaders who take a pledge for no new taxes perpetuate higher and higher property taxes. We call on our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor to reject the "Pledge", have an open discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that lowers property taxes.

RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

(Majority vote required)

*This article was also brought in by petition with over the required 25 signatures.*

**ARTICLE 21 – NH/VT Solid Waste Project Funds**

To see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Selectmen to use any funds received as part of the demise of the NH/VT Solid Waste Project for obtaining equipment for the Grantham Transfer Station.

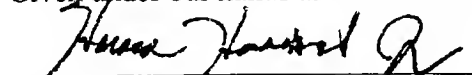
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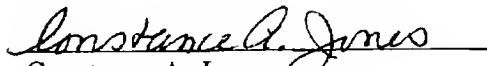
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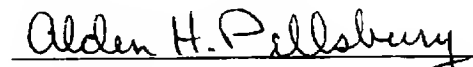
**ARTICLE 22 – End of Meeting**

To hear the reports of agents, officers, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008.

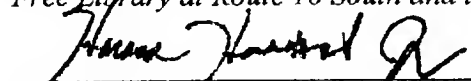
  
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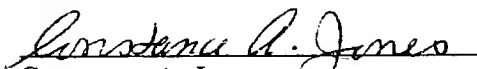
  
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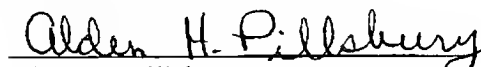
  
Alden H. Pillsbury

Board of Selectmen

*We certify that on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008, we cause a true copy of the within warrant to be posted at the Grantham Town Office on 300 Route 10 South, the Dunbar Free Library at Route 10 South and the Grantham Post Office at Willis Avenue.*

  
Harold Haddock, Jr., Chairman

  
Constance A. Jones

  
Alden H. Pillsbury

Board of Selectmen

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN - MS-6**

MS-6

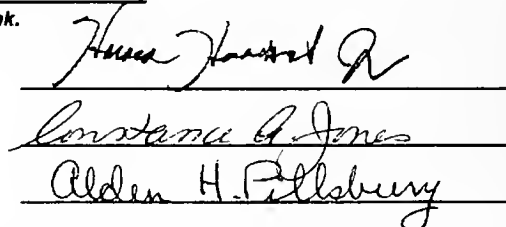
**BUDGET OF THE TOWN**OF: GRANTHAMAppropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, to December 31,or Fiscal Year From 7/1/2008 to 6/30/2009**IMPORTANT:**

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): February 19, 2008**GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)**

Please sign in ink.

HAROLD HADDOCK JRCONSTANCE A JONESALDEN H PILLSBURY**THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT**

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION  
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487  
(603)271-3397

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Budget - Town of GRANTHAM FY 08/09

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures 1/31/2008	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		119884	60802	153725	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		101337	55388	105606	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		76499	45549	62000	
4152	Revaluation of Property		40000	5575	30000	
4153	Legal Expense		15000	2272	15000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		309482	191273	358450	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		11950	2673	11200	
4194	General Government Buildings		88400	40788	88350	
4195	Cemeteries		15000	1490	15000	
4196	Insurance		31000	18521	23000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		2750	2731	2806	
4199	Other General Government		0	0	0	
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		357936	188946	376329	
4215-4219	Ambulance		51053	34911	52037	
4220-4229	Fire		111043	49753	100595	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		5150	1066	5500	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		10050	4731	11500	
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)		0	0	0	
<b>AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations		0	0	0	
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration		157917	80608	162280	
4312	Highways & Streets		129000	91016	138000	
4313	Bridges		0	0	0	
4316	Street Lighting		2600	1280	3000	
4319	Other		0	0	0	
<b>SANITATION</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration		0	0	0	
4323	Solid Waste Collection		130950	74668	141000	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		185000	64467	182500	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up		8000	3388	7000	
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other		0	0	0	

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<b>WATER DISTRIBUTION &amp; TREATMENT</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration		0	0	0	
4332	Water Services		0	0	0	
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other		0	0	0	
<b>ELECTRIC</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation		0	0	0	
4353	Purchase Costs		0	0	0	
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance		0	0	0	
4359	Other Electric Costs		0	0	0	
<b>HEALTH</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration		0	0	0	
4414	Pest Control		1000	0	1000	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		11832	11814	12763	
<b>WELFARE</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		7500	1207	7500	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts		0	0	0	
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other		0	0	0	
<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		23400	12993	25775	
4550-4559	Library		141274	84502	146803	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		21800	9800	23435	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		500	0	500	
<b>CONSERVATION</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		1600	6072	1100	
4619	Other Conservation		0	0	0	
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING		0	0	0	
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		0	0	0	
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		135000	135000	65000	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		59963	53800	49520	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		100	0	100	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		0	0	0	

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<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4901	Land		0	0	0	
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		267500	255198	0	
4903	Buildings		130000	134037	0	
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.		0	0	0	
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4912	To Special Revenue Fund		0	0	0	
4913	To Capital Projects Fund		0	0	0	
4914	To Enterprise Fund		0	0	0	
	Sewer-		0	0	0	
	Water-		0	0	0	
	Electric-		0	0	0	
	Airport-		0	0	0	
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund*		161500	161500	86000	
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917*		0	0	0	
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds*		0	0	0	
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds		0	0	0	
4919	To Fiduciary Funds		0	0	0	
<b>OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL</b>			2922970	1887819	2464374	

\* Use special warrant article section on next page.

MS-6 Budget - Town of GRANTHAM FY 08/09**\*\*SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES\*\***

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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4915	Library Addition Capital Reserve	16	0	0	50000	
SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	50000	XXXXXXXXXX

**\*\*INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES\*\***

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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4903	Recreation Property	4			475,000	
4902	Police Cruiser	12			33,000	
4902	Fire Dept Jaws of Life Tool	14			20,000	
4902	Transfer Station Containers	15			15,000	
4903	Dunbar Free Library Windows	16			12,000	
4902	Fire Truck	13			340,000	
INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	895,000	XXXXXXXXXX

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues 1/31/2008	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
<b>TAXES</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund		4630	8850	5000
3180	Resident Taxes		0	0	0
3185	Timber Taxes		3755	0	2000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		18000	0	0
3189	Other Taxes		0	0	0
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		15364	13137	20000
	Inventory Penalties		0	0	0
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		0	0	0
<b>LICENSES, PERMITS &amp; FEES</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		0	0	0
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		586304	2811777	600000
3230	Building Permits		11333	5312	15000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		14105	2490	12000
3311-3319	<b>FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT</b>		0	0	0
<b>FROM STATE</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		9093	10843	10843
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		94358	103409	103409
3353	Highway Block Grant		50371	40408	40408
3354	Water Pollution Grant		0	0	0
3355	Housing & Community Development		0	0	0
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		0	0	0
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		0	0	0
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		16446	13546	15000
3379	<b>FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS</b>				
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		59809	32538	60000
3409	Other Charges		0	0	0
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		0	500	0
3502	Interest on Investments		128981	67849	125000
3503-3509	Other		22089	15289	25000

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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds				277000
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				15000
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amount VOTED From FIB ("Surplus")			0	335000
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE &amp; CREDITS</b>			1034638	3125948	1660660

**\*\*BUDGET SUMMARY\*\***

	Prior Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	2922970	2464374
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)		50000
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)		895000
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	2922970	3409374
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	1034638	1660660
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	1888332	1748714

FORM

MS - 1

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION  
FORM MS-1 FOR 2007  
Municipal Services Division  
PO BOX 487, Concord, NH 03302-0487 Phone (603) 271-2687  
Email Address: nduffy@rev.state.nh.us

2007

Original Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Copy (check box if copy) ☐  
Revision Date \_\_\_\_\_

DO NOT FAX!!

CITY/TOWN OF Grantham IN Sullivan COUNTY

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the information provided in this report was taken from the official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
Rev 1707.03(d)(7)

PRINT NAMES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS	SIGNATURES OF CITY/TOWN OFFICIALS* (Sign in ink)
Harold Haddock Jr	
William E Hutchins	<i>William E Hutchins</i>
Constance A Jones	<i>Constance A Jones</i>

Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Check one: Governing Body ☐  
Assessors ☐

City/Town Telephone # 603-863-6021 Due date: September 1, 2007

Complete the above required certification by inserting the name of the city/town officials, the date on which the certificate is signed, and have the majority of the members of the board of selectmen/assessing officials sign in ink

REPORTS REQUIRED: RSA 21-J:34 as amended, provides for certification of valuations, appropriations, estimated revenues and such other information as the Department of Revenue Administration may require upon forms prescribed for that purpose.

NOTE: The values and figures provided represent the detailed values that are used in the city/towns tax assessments and sworn to uphold under Oath per RSA 75:7. Please complete all applicable pages and refer to the instructions tab for individual items.

THIS FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DRA NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 1ST.

Village Districts - pages 8 -9 must be completed for EACH village district within the municipality.

RETURN THIS SIGNED AND COMPLETED INVENTORY FORM TO: N.H. DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION, MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION, PO BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487.

Contact Person: Tina Stearns, Town Administrator admin@granthamnh.net  
(Print/Type) Email  
Regular office hours: Monday - Thursday 7am - 5pm

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See Line by line instructions and Tax Increment Finance District Tab of this set as needed.

Form  
MS-1

2007

Grantham			NUMBER OF ACRES	2007 ASSESSED VALUATION BY CITY/TOWN
<b>LAND</b>	Lines 1 A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land - include wells, septic & paving.			
<b>BUILDINGS</b>	Lines 2 A, B, C, & D List all buildings.			
<b>1 VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4</b>				
A Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction #1)		9,907.00	\$872,266	
B Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B		0.00	\$0	
C Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C		0.29	\$600	
D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D		0.29	\$600	
E Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)		5,093.89	\$140,493,755	
F Commercial/Industrial Land (Do Not include Utility Land)		303.89	\$4,022,900	
G Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)		15,275.36	\$145,390,121	
H Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land		622.49	\$2,583,400	
<b>2 VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A, and 3B</b>				
A Residential			\$401,430,900	
B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674:31			\$616,300	
C Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Buildings)			\$7,286,000	
D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	Number of Structures	1	\$12,100	
E Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)			\$409,345,300	
F Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings			\$4,705,000	
<b>3 UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition)</b>				
A Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.			\$2,147,079	
B Other Utilities (Total of Section B from Utility Summary)			\$0	
<b>4 MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79:5</b>				\$0
<b>5 VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4)</b>				\$556,882,500
This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.				
<b>6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a</b>		Total # granted		
(Paraplegic & Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A Assistance)		1	\$324,200	
<b>7 Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b</b>		Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>8 Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a</b>		Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>9 School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV</b>		Total # granted	0	\$0
(Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 maximum for each)				
<b>10 Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a</b>		Total # granted	0	\$0
<b>11 MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10)</b>				\$556,558,300
This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality				
<b>12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37</b>		Total # granted	0	
Amount granted per exemption			\$0	\$0
<b>13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a &amp; b</b>		Total # granted	8	\$370,000
<b>14 Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b</b>		Total # granted	0	
Amount granted per exemption			\$0	\$0
<b>15 Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b</b>		Total # granted	0	
Amount granted per exemption			\$0	\$0



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16 Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	Total # granted	0 \$0
17 Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62	Total # granted	0 \$0
18 Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66	Total # granted	0 \$0
19 Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23 IV	Total # granted	0 \$0
20 TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS (Sum of Lines 12-19)		\$370,000
21 NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY & LOCAL EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 11 minus Line 20)		\$556,188,300
22 Less Utilities (Line 3A) Do NOT include the value of OTHER utilities listed in Line 3B.		\$2,147,079
23 NET VALUATION WITHOUT UTILITIES ON WHICH TAX RATE FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED (Line 21 minus Line 22)		\$554,041,221

Kidder Barn - Route 10 North



Form  
MS-1

Grantham

2007

**UTILITY SUMMARY: ELECTRIC, GAS, OIL, PIPELINE, WATER & SEWER RSA 83-F**

List by individual company/legal entity the valuation of operating plants employed in the production, distribution, and transmission of electricity, gas pipeline, water and petroleum products. Include **ONLY** the names of the companies listed on the Instruction Sheets. (See Instruction pg 4 & Utilities Tabs)

DOES YOUR MUNICIPALITY USE THE DRA UTILITY VALUES?

YES ☒ NO ☐

IF YES, DO YOU EQUALIZE IT BY THE RATIO? (please check appropriate box, if applicable)

YES ☒ NO ☐**SECTION A: LIST ELECTRIC COMPANIES, GENERATING PLANTS, ETC:**

(Attach additional sheet if needed.) (See Instructions pg 4 Tab &amp; Utilities)

2007

**VALUATION**

Public Service of New Hampshire

\$1,742,961

**A1 TOTAL OF ALL ELECTRIC COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION:**

(See pg 4 tab for the names of the limited number of companies)

\$1,742,961

**GAS, OIL & PIPELINE COMPANIES****A2 TOTAL OF ALL GAS, OIL & PIPELINE COMPANIES LISTED:**

(See page 4 tab for the names of the limited number of companies)

\$0

**WATER & SEWER COMPANIES**

Eastman Sewer Company

\$404,118

**A3 TOTAL OF ALL WATER & SEWER COMPANIES LISTED:**

(See page 4 tab for the names of the limited number of companies)

\$404,118

**GRAND TOTAL VALUATION OF ALL A UTILITY COMPANIES (SUM OF A1, A2 AND A3).**

\$2,147,079

**SECTION B: LIST OTHER UTILITY COMPANIES (Exclude telephone companies):**

(Attach additional sheet if needed.)

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**VALUATION****TOTAL OF ALL OTHER COMPANIES LISTED IN THIS SECTION B:**

Total must agree with total on page 2, line 3B

\$0

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TAX CREDITS	LIMITS	*NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS	ESTIMATED TAX CREDITS	MAXIMUM TAX CREDITS
Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows and the widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty. RSA 72:35	\$700	0	\$0	\$0
Enter optional amount adopted by municipality	\$700	5	\$3,500	\$3,500
Other war service credits. RSA 72:28	\$50	0	\$0	\$0
Enter optional amount adopted by municipality	\$500	176	\$87,500	\$88,000
<b>TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT</b>		<b>181</b>	<b>\$91,000</b>	<b>\$91,500</b>

\* If both husband &amp; wife qualify for the credit they count as 2.

\* If someone is living at a residence such as brother &amp; sister, and one qualifies, count as 1, not one-half.

## DISABLED EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:37-b

INCOME LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$0	ASSET LIMITS:	SINGLE	\$0
	MARRIED	\$0		MARRIED	\$0

## ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT - RSA 72:39-a

NUMBER OF FIRST TIME FILERS GRANTED ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR CURRENT YEAR		AMOUNT (\$) PER INDIVIDUAL AGE CATEGORY:	TOTAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED AN ELDERLY EXEMPTION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR & TOTAL AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS GRANTED			
AGE	#		AGE	#	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE EXEMPTION AMOUNT	TOTAL ACTUAL EXEMPTION AMOUNT
65-74	0	\$30,000	65-74	1	\$30,000	\$30,000
75-79	0	\$40,000	75-79	1	\$40,000	\$40,000
80+	0	\$50,000	80+	6	\$300,000	\$300,000
			TOTAL	8	\$370,000	\$370,000
INCOME LIMITS:		SINGLE \$22,000	ASSET LIMITS:		SINGLE \$65,000	
		MARRIED \$31,000			MARRIED \$65,000	

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CURRENT USE REPORT - RSA 79-A				
	TOTAL NUMBER ACRES RECEIVING CURRENT USE	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CURRENT USE STATISTICS	TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES
FARM LAND	278.45	\$92,314	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	3793.54
FOREST LAND	5,185.96	\$440,460	REMOVED FROM CURRENT USE DURING CURRENT YEAR	11.60
FOREST LAND WITH DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP	3,396.66	\$225,811		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	991.58	\$112,976		
WET LAND	54.35	\$705	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS IN CURRENT USE	69
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,907.00</b>	<b>\$872,266</b>	TOTAL NUMBER OF PARCELS IN CURRENT USE	125

LAND USE CHANGE TAX				
GROSS MONIES RECEIVED FOR CALENDAR YEAR (JAN. 1, 2006 THRU DEC. 31, 2006).				\$21,336
CONSERVATION ALLOCATION:	PERCENTAGE	50%	AND/OR	DOLLAR AMOUNT
MONIES TO CONSERVATION FUND				\$10,668
MONIES TO GENERAL FUND				\$10,668

CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT REPORT - RSA 79-B				
	TOTAL NUMBER ACRES RECEIVING CONSERVATION	ASSESSED VALUATION	OTHER CONSERVATION RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT STATISTICS	TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES
FARM LAND	0.00	\$0	RECEIVING 20% RECREATION ADJUSTMENT	0.00
FOREST LAND	0.00	\$0	REMOVED FROM CONSERVATION RESTRICTION DURING CURRENT YEAR	0.00
FOREST LAND WITH DOCUMENTED STEWARDSHIP	0.00	\$0		
UNPRODUCTIVE LAND	0.00	\$0		
WET LAND	0.00	\$0	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>\$0</b>	TOTAL NUMBER OF PARCELS IN CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	0

DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS - RSA 79-C		
TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES IN DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS GRANTED DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS	DESCRIPTION OF DISCRETIONARY EASEMENTS GRANTED: (ie.. Golf Course, Ball Park, Race Track, etc.)
0.29	1	Barn Lot
ASSESSED VALUATION		
\$600		

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DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS - RSA 79-D Historic Agricultural Structures			
TOTAL NUMBER OF STRUCTURES IN DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS	DESCRIPTION OF DISCRETIONARY PRESERVATION EASEMENTS GRANTED: (i.e., Barn's, Silo's etc.) MAP & LOT - PERCENTAGE GRANTED		
1	Barn	242-021-000	100%
TOTAL NUMBER OF ACRES			
0.29			
ASSESSED VALUATION			
\$600	L/O		
\$12,100	B/O		
TOTAL NUMBER OF OWNERS			
1			

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS RSA 162-K (See Tax Increment Finance Dist Tab for instructions)	TIF #1	TIF #2	TIF #3	TIF #4
Date of Adoption	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy	mm/dd/yy
Original assessed value	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
+ Unretained captured assessed value	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
= Amounts used on page 2 (tax rates)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
+ Retained captured assessed value	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Current assessed value	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

LIST REVENUES RECEIVED FROM PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAX Amounts listed below should not be included in assessed valuation column on page 2.	MUNICIPALITY	LIST SOURCE(S) OF PAYMENT In Lieu of Taxes
		Number of Acres
State & Federal Forest Land, Recreation, and/or Flood Control Land from MS-4, acct. 3356 & 3357.	\$0	0.00
White Mountain National Forest, Only acct. 3186.	\$0	0.00
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0	
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Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0	
Other from MS-4, acct. 3186	\$0	
TOTALS of account 3186 (Exclude WMNF)	\$0	0.00

\* RSA 362-A:6, which previously allowed for municipalities to enter into payment in lieu of tax agreements with small scale power facilities, was repealed in 1997. No new or amended payment in lieu of tax agreements may be entered into since 1997.

Questions regarding these laws please consult with the DRA Utility Tax Appraiser at (603) 271-2687.

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VILLAGE DISTRICT/PRECINCT NAME:		EASTMAN	
LAND	Lines 1 A, B, C, D, E & F List all improved and unimproved land - include wells, septic & paving.	NUMBER OF ACRES	2007 ASSESSED VALUATION BY CITY/TOWN
<b>BUILDINGS</b>	Lines 2 A, B, C & D List all buildings.		
<b>1 VALUE OF LAND ONLY - Exclude Amount Listed in Lines 3A, 3B and 4</b>			
A Current Use (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-A (See Instruction #1)		3.30	\$255
B Conservation Restriction Assessment (At Current Use Values) RSA 79-B		0.00	\$0
C Discretionary Easement RSA 79-C		0.00	\$0
D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D		0.00	\$0
E Residential Land (Improved and Unimproved Land)		1,415.87	\$95,232,830
F Commercial/Industrial Land (Do Not include Utility Land)		55.97	\$528,200
G Total of Taxable Land (Sum of Lines 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E and 1F)		1,475.14	\$95,761,285
H Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land		18.88	\$451,000
<b>2 VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY - Exclude Amounts Listed on Lines 3A, and 3B</b>			
A Residential			\$301,452,300
B Manufactured Housing as defined in RSA 674.31			\$0
C Commercial/Industrial (DO NOT Include Utility Buildings)			\$543,400
D Discretionary Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	Number of Structures	0	\$0
E Total of Taxable Buildings (Sum of lines 2A, 2B, 2C and 2D)			\$301,995,700
F Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings			\$133,000
<b>3 UTILITIES (see RSA 83-F:1 V for complete definition) within district</b>			
A Utilities (Real estate/buildings/structures/machinery/dynamos/apparatus/poles/wires/fixtures of all kinds and descriptions/pipelines etc.)			\$0
B Other Utilities (Total of Section B from Utility Summary)			\$0
<b>4 MATURE WOOD and TIMBER RSA 79.5</b>			\$0
<b>5 VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS (Total of Lines 1G, 2E, 3A, 3B and 4)</b>			
This figure represents the gross sum of all taxable property in your municipality.			\$397,756,985
<b>6 Certain Disabled Veterans RSA 72:36-a</b> Total # granted			
(Paraplegic & Double Amputees Owning Specially Adapted Homesteads with V.A. Assistance)		1	\$324,200
<b>7 Improvements to Assist the Deaf RSA 72:38-b</b> Total # granted		0	\$0
<b>8 Improvements to Assist Persons with Disabilities RSA 72:37-a</b> Total # granted		0	\$0
<b>9 School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemption RSA 72:23 IV</b> Total # granted		0	\$0
(Standard Exemption Up To \$150,000 maximum for each)			
<b>10 Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions RSA 72:12-a</b> Total # granted		0	\$0
<b>11 MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES (Line 5 minus Lines 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10)</b>			
This figure will be used for calculating the total equalized value for your municipality.			\$397,432,785
<b>12 Blind Exemption RSA 72:37</b> Total # granted		0	
Amount granted per exemption		\$0	\$0
<b>13 Elderly Exemption RSA 72:39-a &amp; b</b> Total # granted		0	\$0
<b>14 Deaf Exemption RSA 72:38-b</b> Total # granted		0	
Amount granted per exemption		\$0	\$0
<b>15 Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b</b> Total # granted		0	
Amount granted per exemption		\$0	\$0

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VILLAGE DISTRICT/PRECINCT NAME:		EASTMAN	
16 Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:70	Total # granted	0	\$0
17 Solar Energy Exemption RSA 72:62	Total # granted	0	\$0
18 Wind Powered Energy Systems Exemption RSA 72:66	Total # granted	0	\$0
19 Additional School Dining/Dormitory/Kitchen Exemptions RSA 72:23 IV	Total # granted	0	\$0
20 TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNT OF EXEMPTIONS (Sum of Lines 12-19)			\$0
21 NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR VILLAGE DISTRICT IS COMPUTED (Line 11 minus Line 20)			\$397,432,785



**TOWN OF GRANTHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**TOWN MEETING**  
**MARCH 13, 2007**

**SS. STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE****SULLIVAN COUNTY**

Moderator Victoria Smith called the 231<sup>st</sup> Annual Grantham Town Meeting to order at 10:30 am. Pastor Ron Bruce was called upon to offer the invocation. Grantham Pack 276 Cub Scouts presented the flag and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moderator Smith pointed out that this year's Town Report is dedicated to Selectmen past and present. Police Chief Russell Lary was asked to speak about the dedication. Chief Lary said the dedication honors some very valuable citizens in our town and it's about the history of our town. The Chief stated that he has worked in this town for 20 years and has seen how much the Selectmen do for the municipality. The people who have served as Selectmen, listed on page 6, have dedicated time out of busy lives, away from the farm in early days, away from their businesses in more modern times. They have given a lot and it is through the respect of the town that we recognize them.

Moderator Smith stated that the meeting having been properly warranted as it is certified on page 19 of the town report and by the authority invested in me by the laws of the State of New Hampshire I do now declare the 231<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Town of Grantham officially opened for business. The polls are officially open and will remain so until 7:00pm this evening for the purpose of casting ballots on articles 1 – 3 on the Town Warrant.

The Moderator recognized Selectman Harold Haddock to talk about the repair work being done in the Town Hall due to damage caused by flooding when a water pipe burst during an extremely frigid March 7, 2007.

The Moderator introduced Carl Hanson, School District Moderator. Mr. Hanson stated that the polls were open for voting on the Official School Ballot. The School District meeting would be on March 21, 2007 at 7:00pm.

Moderator Smith introduced the officers of the Town of Grantham as follows: Rita Eigenbrode, Town Clerk/Tax Collector; Cynthia Towle, Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector; Selectmen: Harold Haddock and Connie Jones; Tina Stearns, Town Administrator. Selectman Bill Hutchins is in the hospital and unable to attend this meeting. The Assistant Moderator is Merle Schotanus. The four ballot clerks are Lorie McClory, Connie Howard, Sarah Barton and Sandy Palermo.

The Moderator directed attention to the Town Meeting Rules on page 11 of the Town Report. It was moved and seconded to adopt the rules and direct the Town Clerk to make the rules of the meeting a permanent part of the meeting record. *Passed by Unanimous Voice Vote.*

**2007 Town Meeting Rules**

Non-voters who are not officers of the town may be allowed to address the meeting only if the town votes to permit it. All voters will direct their remarks to the moderator. Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she will address the moderator and identify him or herself.



Unless superseded by State law, reconsideration of a vote on any article should be brought up immediately after the vote has been declared. A vote on the issuance of bonds or notes over \$100,000 cannot be reconsidered at the same meeting. The town may also vote to restrict reconsideration of any other vote in the same manner. The moderator will conduct a secret “yes-no” ballot vote when five voters make a written request prior to a voice or show of hands vote on any article open for discussion.

Any ruling by the moderator can be challenged. The moderator will conduct a secret “yes-no” ballot when seven or more voters question any non-ballot vote immediately after the vote is declared, and before any other business is conducted. All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to discussion of the amendment. Registered voters only will be seated in the center section of the meeting hall. Non-voters will be seated in the visitor’s gallery located in the area bounded by the pillars and the inside wall of the meeting hall.

**ARTICLE 1 – Election of Officers**

To choose by ballot and major vote for the ensuing years as enumerated:

Constance A. Jones	.....Selectman	..... 3 years
Rita Eigenbrode	.....Town Clerk/Tax Collector.....	3 years
Todd McIntire	.....Trustee of Trust Funds.....	3 years
Alden H. Pillsbury	.....Planning Board	..... 3 years
Joy Lamont	.....Library Trustee	..... 3 years
Cynthia Towle	.....Library Trustee	..... 3 years
A. W. Anderson	.....Cemetery Trustee.....	3 years

**ARTICLE 2 – Zoning Change – Article VII C – Home Business**

**Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:**

Expand the present definition now titled “Home Business” to a stand alone article entitled “Article VII – C Home Businesses”. This revision would assist applicants as well as the Zoning Board to more clearly state the qualifications and limitations of a proposed or existing home business.

*Rationale: Because of the significance of home businesses in Grantham, it is necessary that the parameters and limitations of a home business are clearly outlined and receive proper prominence in the Zoning Ordinance.*

YES 295 NO 68  
PASSED BY OFFICIAL BALLOT

**ARTICLE 3 – Zoning Change – Article III – G: Central Village Residential District (CVRD) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:**

Create “Article III-G Central Village Residential District (CVRD)” to include thirty-nine (39) existing and mostly smaller, adjacent lots in the primarily residential area of central Grantham on and near the intersection of Routes 10 and 114. The majority of these lots are less than one-acre in size and are presently included in the one acre zoned Rural Residential District. The proposed district would eliminate the need for these lots to conform to the one acre zoning restrictions by reducing certain dimensional requirements to be more in scale with the smaller average lot size.

*Rationale: The Town of Grantham's Master Plan recommended the formation of a Central Village District to better define and maintain the unique character and historic value of the downtown area.*

YES 301

NO 62

PASSED BY OFFICIAL BALLOT

#### **ARTICLE 4 – Petitioned – Recreation Park Land Purchase**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred fifty-one thousand dollars (\$451,000) for the purchase of Tax Map 234 Lot 126 comprised of ~53 acres of land with structures located on Howe Hill Road, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$451,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the board of selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (2/3 ballot vote required)

Moderator Smith recognized the Petitioners to give a presentation for the Recreation Park Land Purchase. Rick Anderson stated that in May 2006 the Selectmen suggested that a Ball Field Committee be formed to look at different parcels of property

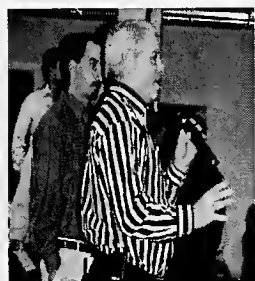


and come back with a recommendation of a site for the ball fields. The committee was formed, met just about every week since May. We used the Master Plan and growth projections to develop our mission statement to establish a recreation area that will grow with the needs of the town and promote community activities for our children and residents. The population of Grantham has grown over 300% in 20 years. The Grantham children are still playing on the single ball field at the Grantham Village School that their parents played on 20 years ago. The spring baseball season consists of nine teams sharing one field. The fall season saw 72 children K-6 sign up for soccer. The committee evaluated eight different sites. We got really close with one site and worked on it for two months. The land was on Yankee Barn Road, 12-acre parcel, which we would get in return for putting in a Class 5 road. The problem with this site was wetlands. The committee decided to further look into the land on Howe Hill Road. The site is 53 acres with a price of \$451,000. The site has over 1,400 feet of road frontage, borders Eastman and has room for expansion for years to come. It could be a recreation area for both children and adults. Grantham could have much more than ballfields with this parcel.

The Committee gave four presentations in the town and a couple questions came up that we had to get answered. Is the land contaminated? The answer is no. Eastman maintenance had a leak in the fuel tank that contaminated the ground water on some sites on Howe Hill. We contacted NHDES as well as the engineering firm that does the sampling. There are two wells on the property that do not show any signs of contamination. Has the land been appraised? The answer is yes. We had two appraisals done this week. One by Robert Hill from Sunapee That appraisal was \$400,000 calculated with six comparables. The other, by Griffin Appraisal from Nashua, for \$448,000 calculated with three comparables. What is the impact on the Grantham tax rate? A 10-year bond for \$451,000 would impact the tax rate by \$0.12/1000. A 20-year bond would impact the tax rate \$0.09/1000. Rick Anderson ended the presentation by saying that most articles are for items that will only depreciate. This is a chance to spend money on something that will appreciate.

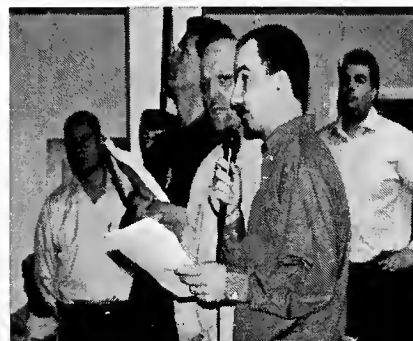
The Moderator recognized Jeff Figley who asked that everyone who wants to speak to this article have

the chance. Laura Wiltshire asked why money in the general fund reserve account could not be used for this purchase. Selectman Haddock responded by saying it would have to be brought to the voters. Pam Harkins wanted to know what the dollar impact would be on \$400,000 valuation. The 10-year bond would mean \$48.00/year on \$400,000. Jeremy Turner asked what is the total project projection. He also asked if residents of Howe Hill Road were asked how they feel about the impact of this project. Rick Anderson stated that the committee hoped that the costs for ball fields could be raised by grants, gifts. He stated that members of the committee spoke to some residents on Howe Hill and the response was mixed. Bob LaGassa asked if the road would tie into Eastman. Rick's reply was no. Karen Ryan asked what the property was assessed for by the town. Rick answered \$147,000. Karen wondered if the appraisers were under the impression that this property was subdividable and therefore more valuable. Rick answered that the appraisal was done as stated in the present existing deed, which



states that it can be subdivided. Chief Lary said that this is an investment in the welfare of our children. There is no place in town for them to play. Paula Dorr asked if places that were more accessible were examined. Rick replied that they have looked but the property is not viable because of wetlands. In planning for this park have you thought about a place to swim. There have been no plans made for swimming but the property on Howe Hill has plenty of room for a pool. Deborah Cheever questioned why land on Miller Pond Road, already owned by the Town of Grantham, could not be used for ball fields. Rick Anderson said that the Miller Pond Road property was examined by the ball field committee and the

engineers. The site has wetlands, a cemetery, and a ten-foot cliff to get on the site. The engineer's opinion about this property was to sell it and use the money to buy a workable piece of land. Phil Schaefer asked the Selectmen to address the difference between the Town of Grantham assessment and the assessment of the property done recently. Selectman Haddock responded by saying the appraisers have gone on the basis of comparable pieces of property in the area. The lower assessment was based upon our reassessment two years ago. He stated that he thought it was a matter of timing and different approaches in assessing the property. Kelly Spiller voiced concern over the safety of Howe Hill and asked if there would be an alternate way of getting to the recreational Park other than Howe Hill Road. Rick Anderson said that there was the option of having access from Eastman. Maynard Goldman, Chairman of the ECA Board of Directors, stated that the issue of access from Eastman was never brought before the Board of Directors.



Moderator Smith explained the voting procedures for article 4. The Moderator then opened the voting for article 4 and called a recess until 1:00pm.

The Moderator reconvened the 231<sup>st</sup> Annual Town Meeting at 1:00pm. The ballot box was closed for article 4 and the ballot clerks reported to the counting table.

**DID NOT PASS BY 2/3 BALLOTS VOTE    YES 223                      NO 123  
VOTES CAST 346**

#### **ARTICLE 5 – Petitioned – Grantham Historical Society Building Expenses**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will assume responsibility for the Grantham Historical Society expenses relating to heating, electricity and telephone for the Town property at 34 Dunbar Hill Road, now known as the Old Town Office Building. Majority vote required

*The rationale for this petitioned article is that non-profit Grantham Historical Society shares space in the building with the Town Archives and provides services to the Town through the preservation of Grantham's history and heritage and conducts educational and public awareness programs.*

#### **PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

##### **ARTICLE 6 – Petitioned – Change Date of School District Meeting**

To see if the Town will vote to return the Grantham School District Meeting to the same day as Town Meeting. Majority vote required

*The rationale for this petitioned article is to present to all citizens of Grantham a clear perspective on Town expenditures. Our Town is made up of many folk, some working people, seniors, etc., who cannot attend evening meetings. Our school budget comprises approximately 2/3 of our overall tax dollars.*

Moderator Smith stated that this petition did not belong on the town warrant. The Moderator recognized Merle Schotanus for a procedural motion relative to Article 6. Mr Schotanus suggested that we temporarily postpone consideration at this time and take it up in conjunction with Article 30 thereby giving the petitioners a chance to speak to the issue. Discussions under Article 30 are not legally binding. **Motion to move to Article 30 passed by unanimous voice vote.**

##### **ARTICLE 7 – General Government**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$811,302** to defray the cost of **General Government** operations. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Budget 2006/07</b>	<b>Proposed 2007/08</b>
Selectmen's Office . . . . .	121,513	119,884
Town Clerk/Tax Collector . . . . .	87,654	93,436
Supervisors of the Checklist . . . . .	2,000	7,901
Financial Administration . . . . .	71,440	76,499
Tax Maps/Assessing . . . . .	40,000	40,000
Legal . . . . .	20,000	15,000
Personnel Administration . . . . .	262,975	309,482
Planning Board . . . . .	8,650	8,200
Zoning Board of Adjustment . . . . .	3,340	3,750
General Government Buildings . . . . .	97,450	84,200
Archives Building . . . . .	4,100	4,200
Cemeteries . . . . .	13,700	15,000
Insurance . . . . .	31,000	31,000
Regional Associations . . . . .	2,384	2,750
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>766,206</b>	<b>811,302</b>

Moderator Smith recognized Selectman Jones to speak to this article. Selectman Jones stated that the increase in the Town Clerk/Tax Collector line was due to the purchase of a fireproof file cabinet. The increase in the Financial Administration was due to increases in auditing expenses. Increases in Personnel Administration was due to increased mandated NH Retirement percentage, added full-time employees, worker's comp. insurance and increases in average health insurance for employees.

### PASSED BY MAJORITY VOICE VOTE

#### ARTICLE 8 – Public Safety

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of **\$535,232** to defray the cost of **Public Safety** operations. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Account Title	Budget 2006/07	Proposed 2007/08
Police Department .....	307,683	357,936
F.A.S.T. Squad .....	54,630	51,053
Fire Department .....	82,650	110,668
Forest Fire .....	375	375
Building Inspection .....	5,250	5,150
Emergency Management .....	8,800	10,050
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>459,388</b>	<b>535,232</b>

The Moderator recognized Selectman Harold Haddock to speak to this article. He stated that the two major increases were in the Police Department due to the addition of one full time patrolman. The increase in the Fire Department budget is due primarily to replacing the roof on the fire station. Selectman Haddock requested that Chief Lary speak to this article. Chief Lary stated that the ability of the police department to give good security service is based on manpower that is available and



equipment and transportation to get there. He explained that with the number of people he has working now we have enough police officers to cover 2 shifts, 16 hours a day, 7 days a week. We are covering 3 shifts 2 or 3 days a week and 2 shifts the rest of the week. We are spreading ourselves thin and covering as much as we can. I believe that the coverage that we are asking for is legitimate. The Moderator recognized Kevin Cheever for a question. Mr. Cheever asked

how the hours would change if the additional police office was hired. Chief Lary answered by saying there have been requests for increased patrol coverage and more night shifts. The Chief is planning on 5 nights a week, 24 hours a day. It would fluctuate between 4 to 6 days a week. We still will not have the manpower for 7 days a week.

The Moderator recognized Lorie McClory for an amendment to article 8. The amendment changed the amount of the Police Department line to \$307,936. It is my intent that this will remove the \$50,000 for the 5<sup>th</sup> full-time police office from the proposed Police Department budget. The other line items stay the same. The total proposed budget of Public Safety would then be \$485,232. **It was moved and seconded to accept the amendment.**

The Moderator asked Lorie McClory to speak to the amendment. Mrs. McClory stated that she compared Grantham to Enfield which is about twice our size, has a large vacation time population and a highway to patrol. They have seven full-time officers. Mrs. McClory does not think that Grantham really needs that 5<sup>th</sup> full time officer.

Moderator Smith then stated that she had a petition that asked for voting by paper ballot on Article 8 and any amendments to the article.

**AMENDMENT FAILED by MAJORITY PAPER BALLOT. YES 59 NO 74.**

Article 8, as originally written, **PASSED BY MAJORITY VOICE VOTE.**

**ARTICLE 9 – Public Works**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$613,467** to defray the cost of **Public Works** operation. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Budget 2006/07</b>	<b>Proposed 2007/08</b>
Highway Administration .....	145,264	157,917
Highway Maintenance .....	97,500	129,000
Street Lights .....	2,400	2,600
Transfer Station .....	116,100	130,950
Waste Disposal .....	175,000	185,000
Landfill Monitoring .....	8,000	8,000
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>544,264</b>	<b>613,467</b>

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 10 – Health and Welfare**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$20,332** to defray the cost of **Health and Welfare** operations. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Budget 2006/07</b>	<b>Proposed 2007/08</b>
Boarding Animals .....	300	1,000
Community Services .....	10,819	11,832
Town General Assistance .....	10,000	7,500
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>21,119</b>	<b>20,332</b>

Moderator Smith recognized Selectman Jones to speak to this article. She stated that the Boarding Animals line increased because of the contract the town had to sign with the Upper Valley Humane

Society to take the animals we pick up. It was nonnegotiable.

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 11 – Culture and Recreation**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$186,974** for **Culture and Recreation**. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Budget 2006/07</b>	<b>Proposed 2007/08</b>
Recreation .....	18,610 .....	23,400
Dunbar Free Library .....	141,361 .....	141,274
Old Home Day .....	21,000 .....	21,800
Archives .....	500 .....	500
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>181,471 .....</b>	<b>186,974</b>

The Moderator recognized Selectman Haddock to comment on this article. Selectman Haddock said that the increase in Recreation was due to the need to purchase new uniforms. He also stated that Old Home Day is now “Our Town”, directed by Laurie Field.

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 12 – Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Notes**

It was moved and seconded: “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$196,663** for **Conservation, Bond Notes, Interest and Tax Anticipation Notes**. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Budget 2006/07</b>	<b>Proposed 2007/08</b>
Conservation Commission .....	1,100 .....	1,600
Bond Payment .....	135,000 .....	135,000
Bond Interest .....	59,963 .....	59,963
Tax Anticipation Notes Interest .....	100 .....	100
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>196,163 .....</b>	<b>196,663</b>

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$71,500** to be placed in previously established **Capital Reserve Funds**. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

The Moderator recognized Todd Cartier for a motion to amend Article 13 to add \$90,000 to the Ball Field Capital Reserve and change the total of the proposed budget to \$161,500. The Moderator recognized Scott Holland who asked why the Ball Field Capital Reserve amount was being tripled without warning to the tax-paying public. Moderator Smith asked Todd Cartier to answer and he responded by saying the ball fields cost a lot of money and if we can start banking for them it's a good idea. Selectman Jones stated that every year we put in money in the Ball Field Capital Reserve Fund. We do it with the thought that we will have the monies there when we need them. The amendment to increase the amount to \$100,000 is so we will have monies put aside so that when the time comes we will be able to pay for the ball fields without asking the taxpayers again for money. **Amendment passed by Majority Voice Vote.** The Moderator called for a vote on Article 13 as amended.

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-three thousand five hundred dollars (\$23,500) for the replacement of the 2001 Crown Victoria cruiser and authorize the withdrawal of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) is to come from general taxation and the trade-in value of the existing vehicle. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

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**ARTICLE 15 – Police Cruiser 2002 Chevrolet Tahoe Replacement**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000) for the replacement of the 2002 Chevrolet Tahoe 4WD cruiser. The total amount is to come from taxation less the trade-in value of the existing vehicle. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

The Moderator recognized Selectman Jones and she stated that this vehicle has had many repairs and it is time to trade it in. Deborah Cheever asked how many miles were on the Tahoe. Chief Lary said 81,000. It is in need major repairs. Four wheel drive vehicles wear out very fast. Lorie McClory asked if the new vehicle would be saved for back road and bad weather use. Chief Lary said they would try to keep the mileage down but they don't always have the luxury of doing that.

**YES 79                      NO 33**  
**PASSED BY MAJORITY PAPER BALLOT**

**ARTICLE 16 – Replacement of Highway Department Backhoe**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-two thousand dollars (\$72,000) for the replacement of the John Deere Backhoe and authorize the withdrawal of fifty-seven thousand dollars (\$57,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of fifteen thousand (\$15,000) will be the trade-in value of the existing equipment. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

The moderator recognized Selectman Haddock. Selectman Haddock asked Joseph Newcomb, Road Agent, to speak to the article. Mr. Newcomb said that the old backhoe was purchased in 1998 and we have a ten-year recycle program. It will be 10 years old in May 2008.

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 17 – Replacement of F.A.S.T. Emergency Vehicle**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred forty-five thousand dollars (\$145,000) for the replacement of the F.A.S.T. Emergency Vehicle and authorize the withdrawal of seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) from the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of seventy-five thousand (\$75,000) to come from taxation. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Moderator Smith recognized Selectman Haddock to speak. Selectman Haddock invited Stuart Gillespie, Head of the Fast Squad, to address this article. Mr. Gillespie stated that over the past few years there have been significant problems with the electrical system of the vehicle. The maker of the vehicle is no longer in business. Bob Schwartz asked if it would be possible to find someone to overhaul the vehicle. Mr Gillespie said they had looked into putting the box on a different chassis, but he was unable to find any one who would touch the box.

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 18 – Transfer Station Building Construction**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) for the construction of a building at the Transfer Station and other modifications as needed and authorize the withdrawal of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) from the Reclamation Trust Fund and thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Moderator Smith recognized Selectman Jones to speak to the article. Selectman Jones said this building would offer proper sanitation for the workers and we would be able to keep the truck under cover.

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE****ARTICLE 19 – Highway Department Building Addition**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of up to seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) to construct an addition to the existing highway garage located at 34 Dunbar Hill Road. The selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

Moderator Smith recognized Selectman Jones to speak to this article. Selectman Jones asked Road Agent Joseph Newcomb to comment on this article. Mr. Newcomb said that with 2 trucks and a backhoe in the garage the space is very tight. It makes servicing the vehicles difficult. An additional bay will allow us to put the two plow trucks in the current garage and the backhoe in the addition.

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE****ARTICLE 20 – It was moved and seconded: Refuse Disposal District Dissolution**

Are you in favor of the dissolution of the Sullivan County Regional Refuse Disposal District? The selectmen recommend this article. (2/3 vote required)

The Moderator asked Selectman Haddock to speak to this article. The Selectman asked Arthur Magowan, representative to the Sullivan County Solid Waste District, to speak to this article. Mr. Magowan said the project, a joint venture between Vermont and New Hampshire Districts, is coming to an end sometime between 7/1/2007 and 12/31/2007. It will be just the financial aspects that keep that venture alive during that time. The representatives of the district have met and agreed to dissolve the district, but the voters of those towns must vote and it must be a two-thirds majority vote of those present and voting that makes this dissolution of the Sullivan County Regional Refuse Disposal District occur. Mr. Magowan stated that there is little, if not any, real justification to continue in the District. There were no questions or discussion concerning this article.

**YES 74      NO 2**

**PASSED BY MAJORITY PAPER BALLOT**

**ARTICLE 21 – Withdrawal from NH Solid Waste District**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to allow the withdrawal from the NH Solid Waste District as per RSA 53-B:6. The selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

The Moderator recognized Arthur Magowan to speak to the article. Mr. Magowan stated that if the 15 communities sum total do not vote a 2/3's majority this vote will allow the Town of Grantham to withdraw on its own from the District at the time when all legal and financial aspects have been resolved. Selectman Haddock stated that the 15 communities were voting on the same articles.

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 22 – Methodist Church Deeds** – It was moved and seconded: To see if the voters will allow the Board of Selectmen to quitclaim deed the use of the lower level of the Grantham United Methodist Church back to the church. The selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

The Moderator recognized Selectman Jones to speak to this article. Selectman Jones said that last year at Town Meeting the Selectmen talked about deeding the lower portion of the church building back to the church. The Selectmen cannot do that on their own. It needs the vote of the people at Town Meeting. That is why it is being brought up today.

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 23 – Pursue Subdivision of Learning Drive Property**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will support the Board of Selectmen pursuing the subdivision of Map 233 Lot 75 which consists of 35 acres of land, the Memorial Cemetery, the Grantham Village School, Municipal Gymnasium and all other buildings in order to adequately divide the land currently owned by the Town of Grantham and occupied by the Grantham Village School. The selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

The Moderator recognized Selectman Haddock to answer questions raised by this article. Lorie McClory was recognized and asked how this article would affect the plowing and road maintenance of the school property. Selectman Haddock said that this is something that is negotiated between the Town and SAU from time to time. Nothing will change.

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 24 – DFL Spend & Accept Monies (RSA 202 & 204)**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will accept the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-c providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the public library trustees to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the town meeting, unanticipated money from a state, federal or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year. The selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 25 – DFL Acceptance of Donations**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will accept the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-d to authorize the public library trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose, and such authorization shall remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of town meeting. The selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE****ARTICLE 26 – DFL Use of Additional Funds**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will accept the provisions of RSA 202-A:11-a to authorize the public library trustees to retain all money received from the library's income-generating equipment in a non-lapsing fund and used for general repairs and upgrading and for the purchase of books, supplies and income-generating equipment. The selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE****ARTICLE 27 – New Hampshire Climate Change Resolution**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will go on record in support of effective actions by the President and the Congress to address the issue of climate change which is increasingly harmful to the environment and economy of New Hampshire and to the future well being of the people of Grantham.

These actions include:

Establishment of a national program requiring reductions of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions while protecting the U.S. economy. Creation of a major national research initiative to foster rapid development of sustainable energy technologies thereby stimulating new jobs and investment.

In addition, the Town of Grantham encourages New Hampshire citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities, and we ask our Selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy committee to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions. The selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Moderator Smith recognized Pam Hanson, Town Liaison and Coordinator for the Carbon Coalition, for comments regarding this article. Ms. Hanson said the Coalition is a group of grass roots towns that have come together to put this item on their town warrant in the hopes that this will have an impact on Primary candidates that will come here and let them know that we care about what is happening to our environment. Merle Schotanus was recognized by the Moderator to further comment on this article. Mr. Schotanus took this opportunity to say that it is significant that this article has been recommended by the Selectmen of the Town instead of it being a petitioned article as it is in many of the other towns. The Selectmen were briefed by the Carbon Coalition on the 25<sup>th</sup> of October and without much deliberation accepted the resolution.

**PASSED BY MAJORITY VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 28 – Change of Ball Field CRF Purpose**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of an existing Ball Field Capital Reserve Fund to the Athletic Fields Capital Reserve Fund. The selectmen recommend this article. (2/3 vote required)

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 29 – Change of Town Office Computer CRF Purpose**

It was moved and seconded: To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of an existing Town Office Computer Capital Reserve Fund to the Town Office Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The selectmen recommend this article. (2/3 vote required)

**PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**

**ARTICLE 30 – End of Meeting**

It was moved and seconded: To hear the reports of agents, officers, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Moderator Smith recognized Bob and Cynthia Chew, 2006 Hog Reeves, for a report. The Fence Viewers, David and Sarah Beckley, were not present but stated that no fences had moved. For 2007, the Moderator officially appointed Peter and Julia Hadlock as Fence Viewers and Luke and Morna Felthun as Hog Reeves.

Moderator Smith recognized Merle Schotanus to speak to the revisited Article 6. He said that he thought it would be physically and logistically impossible to hold Town Meeting and School Meeting on the same day as referenced in Article 6. The concern for the timing of the two meetings is the issue of town people knowing when they go to town meeting how much has been appropriated for the school budget. Although non-binding the Moderator called for a vote on the revisited Article 6. **FAILED by Unanimous Voice Vote.**

Moderator Smith thanked all the volunteers that help the Town of Grantham.

There being no further business or reports, Moderator Smith declared the 231<sup>st</sup> Town Meeting adjourned at 4:19pm.

A True Copy Attest:



Rita Eigenbrode, Town Clerk  
March 21, 2007



I HOPE PAPA  
DOESN'T WAKE  
UP!

I FINALLY  
TALKED HER  
INTO IT!  
WOO HOO!

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# REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS ACTUALLY VOTED

(RSA 21-J:34)

Date of Meeting: March 13, 2007

Town/City Of: GRANTHAM

County: SULLIVAN

Mailing Address: 300 Route 10 South, Grantham, NH 03753

Phone #: 603.863.6021 Fax #: 603.863.3961 E-Mail: admin@granthamnh.net

## Certificate of Appropriations

(To be Completed After Annual or Special Meeting)

This is to certify that the information contained in this form, appropriations actually voted by the town/city meeting, was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

## Governing Body (Selectmen)

*Please sign in ink.*

Date: March 28, 2007

Harold Haddock, Jr.

William E. Hutchins

Constance A. Jones



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NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
MUNICIPAL SERVICES  
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487  
(603)271-3397

PENALTY: Failure to file within 20 days after each meeting at which appropriations were voted may result in a \$5.00 per day penalty (RSA 21-J:36).

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4130-4139	Executive	7	119884	
4140-4149	Election Reg & Vital Statistics	7	101337	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	7	76499	
4152	Revaluation of Property	7	40000	
4153	Legal Expense	7	15000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	7	309482	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	7	11950	
4194	General Government Buildings	7	88400	
4195	Cemeteries	7	15000	
4196	Insurance	7	31000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	7	2750	
4199	Other General Government			
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4210-4214	Police	8	357936	
4215-4219	Ambulance	8	51053	
4220-4229	Fire	8	111043	
4240-4249	Building Inspection	8	5150	
4290-4298	Emergency Management	8	10050	
4299	Other (Including Communications)			
<b>AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4301-4309	Airport Operations			
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4311	Administration	9	157917	
4312	Highways & Streets	9	129000	
4313	Bridges			
4316	Street Lighting	9	2600	
4319	Other			
<b>SANITATION</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4321	Administration			
4323	Solid Waste Collection	9	130950	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	9	185000	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up	9	8000	
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other			
<b>WATER DISTRIBUTION &amp; TREATMENT</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4331	Administration			
4332	Water Services			
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv & Other			
<b>ELECTRIC</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4351-4359	Electrical Operations			



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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations As Voted	For Use By Department of Revenue Administration
<b>HEALTH</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4411	Administration			
4414	Pest Control	10	1000	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	10	11832	
<b>WELFARE</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	10	7500	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts			
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other			
<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	11	23400	
4550-4559	Library	11	141274	
4583	Patriotic Purposes	11	21800	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation	11	500	
<b>CONSERVATION</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources	12	1600	
4619	Other Conservation			
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING			
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes	12	135000	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	12	59963	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Note	12	100	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service			
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4901	Land			
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	14, 15, 16, 17	267500	
4903	Buildings	18, 19	130000	
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs			
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4912	To Special Revenue Fund			
4913	To Capital Projects Fund			
4914	To Proprietary Fund			
	Sewer-			
	Water-			
	Electric-			
	Airport-			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	13	161500	
4916	To Exp. Tr. Fund-except #4917			
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds			
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds			
4919	To Agency Funds			
<b>TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS</b>			<b>2922970</b>	

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**2007 TAX RATE CALCULATION**

Gross Appropriations	2,922,970
Less: Revenues	1,498,831
Less: Shared Revenues	3,670
Add: Overlay	43,467
War Service Credits	91,000

Net Town Appropriation	1,554,936
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	1,554,936
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**TOWN RATE**  
**2.80**

**SCHOOL PORTION**

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. - Revenue)	5,087,643
Regional School Apportionment	0
Less: Equitable Education Grant	0

State Education Taxes	(1,204,011)
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	3,883,632

**LOCAL  
SCHOOL RATE**  
**6.98**

**STATE EDUCATION TAXES**

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	\$2.24
537,504,973	1,204,011
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)	
554,040,621	
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State	
Pay to State	0

**STATE  
SCHOOL RATE**  
**2.17**

**COUNTY PORTION**

Due to County	1,152,264
Less: Shared Revenues	(1,750)

Approved County Tax Effort	1,150,514
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**COUNTY RATE**  
**2.07**

**TOTAL RATE**  
**14.02**

Total Property Taxes Assessed	7,793,093
Less: War Service Credits	(91,000)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	524,611
<b>Total Property Tax Commitment</b>	<b>8,226,704</b>

**PROOF OF RATE**

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax	2.17	1,204,011
All Other Taxes	11.85	6,589,082
		7,793,093

## TAX RATE FIVE-YEAR REVIEW

	Tax Year				
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Net Town Appropriation	762,297	892,204	1,193,458	1,144,328	1,554,936
Municipal Rate	2.95	3.34	2.23	2.08	2.80
Net School Appropriation	2,677,535	2,668,712	3,299,342	3,678,465	3,883,632
Local School Rate	10.39	9.97	6.13	6.70	6.98
State Educ Taxes	1,442,942	1,205,909	1,191,747	1,235,764	1,204,011
Excess State Educ. Taxes	260,543	147,212	-	-	-
State Educ Rate	5.64	4.54	2.22	2.26	2.17
Combined School Rates	16.03	14.51	8.35	8.96	9.15
Net County Appropriation	1,189,785	1,176,112	1,195,788	1,088,411	1,150,514
County Rate	4.62	4.39	2.22	1.98	2.07
Village District Commitment	281,859	346,010	486,793	529,165	523,622
Village District Rate	1.51		1.26	1.34	1.32
<b>Total Tax Rate - Grantham</b>	<b>23.60</b>	<b>22.24</b>	<b>12.80</b>	<b>13.02</b>	<b>14.02</b>
<b>Total Tax Rate - Eastman</b>	<b>25.11</b>	<b>22.24</b>	<b>14.06</b>	<b>14.36</b>	<b>15.34</b>
Property Tax Commitment	6,346,468	6,280,347	7,356,628	7,599,133	8,226,704
Net Assessed Valuation	257,748,689	267,673,662	537,856,197	549,252,489	556,187,700



# BALANCE SHEET

## TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

### Balance Sheet

### Governmental Funds

June 30, 2007

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$2,230,799	\$ 125,704	\$ 2,356,503
Investments	859,810	564,664	1,424,474
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectible:			
Taxes	1,995,760	-	1,995,760
Accounts	4,443	-	4,443
Interfund receivable	38,206	7,129	45,335
Tax deeded property subject to resale	20,435	-	20,435
Total assets	<u>\$5,149,453</u>	<u>\$ 697,497</u>	<u>\$ 5,846,950</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>			
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Accounts payable	\$ 62,178	\$ 66	\$ 62,244
Intergovernmental payable	1,599	-	1,599
Interfund payable	7,129	38,206	45,335
Retainage payable	10,000	-	10,000
Deferred revenue	3,837,455	-	3,837,455
Total liabilities	<u>3,918,361</u>	<u>38,272</u>	<u>3,956,633</u>
<b>Fund balances:</b>			
Reserved for encumbrances	90,035	-	90,035
Reserved for tax deeded property	20,435	-	20,435
Reserved for special purposes	4,018	106,062	110,080
<b>Unreserved:</b>			
Undesignated, reported in:			
General fund	1,116,604	-	1,116,604
Special revenue funds	-	553,163	553,163
Total fund balances	<u>1,231,092</u>	<u>659,225</u>	<u>1,890,317</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$5,149,453</u>	<u>\$ 697,497</u>	<u>\$ 5,846,950</u>



**TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**Nonmajor Governmental Funds**  
**Combining Balance Sheet**  
**June 30, 2007**

	Special Revenue Funds					Capital	Permanent
	Reclamation Trust	Dunbar Free Library	Conservation Commission	Expendable Trust	Capital Reserve	Project Fund	Fund
						Library Building	Cemetery Care
<b>ASSETS</b>							Total
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 44,962	\$ 30,292	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 756	\$ 49,694
Investments	-	-	70,390	12,160	428,598	53,516	-
Interfund receivable	1,330	-	5,653	146	-	-	-
Total general government	\$ 46,292	\$ 30,292	\$ 76,043	\$ 12,306	\$ 428,598	\$ 54,272	\$ 49,694

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN OWNED PROPERTY

<u>Location</u>	<u>Map/Lot</u>	<u>Purpose/Use/Acres</u>	<u>Valuation</u>
Al Smith Road	207-004	Vacant (Ella Smith Lot) - 2.70AC	11,500
Route 10 North	207-005	Vacant (Al Smith Rd Corner Lot) - 2.10AC	17,800
Croydon Turnpike	209-001	Vacant - 72AC	90,700
Miller Pond Road	210-003	Vacant (Kimball Land) - 49AC	61,000
Off Meriden Road	210-004	Vacant (Wallis Land) - 0.63 AC	1,000
Croydon Turnpike	210-005	Vacant (Kimball Land) - 16AC	30,600
Croydon Turnpike	210-006	Vacant (Minister Lot) - 59AC	68,200
Croydon Turnpike	210-007	Vacant (Wallis Land) - 31AC	45,600
Croydon Turnpike	210-008	Vacant (Vette Davis Land) - 80AC	82,500
Croydon Turnpike	210-009	Vacant (Minister Lot) - 20AC	35,300
Miller Pond Road	210-010	Vacant (Kimball Land) - 55AC	74,200
Miller Pond Road	211-012	Vacant (Lucius Smith Lot) - 29AC	73,300
49 Hemlock Lane	211-023	Vacant House - 1AC (Rinaldi)	71,800
12 Tall Timber Drive	211-069	Vacant (School Bus Turnaround) - 0.86AC	13,600
45 High Pond Road	212-090	Vacant - 0.802AC	20,000
82 Anderson Pond Road	213-032	Vacant - 0.98AC	13,000
38 Anderson Pond Road	213-053	Vacant - 0.825AC	25,000
400 Road Round the Lake	213-119	Vacant - 0.846AC	20,500
18 Catamount Road	214-030	Vacant - 1.60AC	19,100
28 Spring Valley Drive	214-044	Vacant - 1.26AC	13,500
3 Sugar Hill Road	215-137	Vacant - 1.29AC	33,300
Burpee Hill Road	216-041	Hastings Cemetery	6,800
16 Bobbin Hill	216-089	Vacant - 0.71AC	14,600
Croydon Turnpike	218-002	Vacant - 37AC	67,400
Route 10 North	221-002	Vacant - 0.74AC	13,300
Burpee Hill Road	221-058	Brown Cemetery	10,800
16 Deer Run	223-006	Vacant - 1.97AC	24,200
17 Brookridge Drive	224-001	Vacant - 1.14AC	18,600
17 Hummingbird Hill	225-044	Vacant - 0.977AC	18,000
35 Walton Heath Drive	225-215	Vacant - 0.694AC	87,400
Route 10 North	226-026	Brookside Park - 0.17AC	7,500
Route 10 North	226-027	Brookside Park - 13.8AC	45,700
New Aldrich Road	227-023	Vacant - 1.3AC	300
300 Route 10 South/Dunbar Hill	233-004	Town Buildings - 9.2AC	1,234,600
75 Learning Drive - GVS	233-075	Village School/Cemetery - 35AC	3,253,800
Sugarwood Lane	233-096	Road - 2.8AC	600
13 Troon Drive	234-060	Vacant - 1AC	22,800
34 Greensward Drive	234-099	Vacant - 0.914AC	21,400
66 Longwood Drive	234-120	Vacant - 0.613AC	21,400
Route 114	234-142	Vacant - 6.8AC	5,800
1081 Route 114	234-016	Closed Landfill Site - 6.64A	54,100
1150 Rte 114	235-030	Transfer Station - 31.78AC	56,900
Route 114	236-004	Vacant - 4.9AC	50,200
Stoney Brook Road	236-021	Hilldale Cemetery	50,500
301 Rte 10 South	237-005	Dunbar Free Library - 0.26AC	328,300
Route 10 South	237-032	Church Parking Lot - 0.15AC	18,600
400 Route 10 South	237-033	Church Parking Lot - 0.15AC	34,600
Dunbar Hill Road	237-061	Cemetery	43,300
Stoney Brook/Sanborn Hill	243-009	Vacant - 3.5AC	35,400

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES

**TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances**  
**All Governmental Funds**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2007**

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Taxes	\$ 1,110,962	\$ 4,630	\$ 1,115,592
Licenses and permits	605,424	-	605,424
Intergovernmental	179,947	-	179,947
Charges for services	40,398	8,009	48,407
Miscellaneous	165,098	41,933	207,031
Total revenues	<u>2,101,829</u>	<u>54,572</u>	<u>2,156,401</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
Current:			
General government	695,173	4,073	699,246
Public safety	419,834	-	419,834
Highways and streets	215,819	-	215,819
Sanitation	266,009	-	266,009
Health	11,734	-	11,734
Welfare	1,026	-	1,026
Culture and recreation	38,547	142,337	180,884
Conservation	6,946	-	6,946
Debt service:			
Principal	135,000	-	135,000
Interest	59,175	-	59,175
Capital outlay	102,978	10,100	113,078
Total expenditures	<u>1,952,241</u>	<u>156,510</u>	<u>2,108,751</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>149,588</u>	<u>(101,938)</u>	<u>47,650</u>
Other financing sources (uses):			
Transfers in	47,571	270,942	318,513
Transfers out	(268,801)	-	(268,801)
Total other financing sources and uses	<u>(221,230)</u>	<u>270,942</u>	<u>49,712</u>
Net change in fund balances	(71,642)	169,004	97,362
Fund balances, beginning	1,302,734	539,933	1,842,667
Fund balances, ending	<u>\$ 1,231,092</u>	<u>\$ 708,937</u>	<u>\$ 1,940,029</u>

**TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**Major General Fund**  
**Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2007**

	Estimated	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
<b>Taxes:</b>			
Property	\$ 1,024,105	\$ 1,056,962	\$ 32,857
Land use change	-	4,630	4,630
Yield	2,500	3,755	1,255
Payment in lieu of taxes	18,000	18,000	-
Interest and penalties on taxes	25,000	27,615	2,615
Total taxes	<u>1,069,605</u>	<u>1,110,962</u>	<u>41,357</u>
<b>Licenses, permits and fees:</b>			
Business, licenses, permits and fees	-	626	626
Motor vehicle permit fees	560,000	586,304	26,304
Building permits	20,000	11,333	(8,667)
Other	11,000	7,161	(3,839)
Total licenses, permits and fees	<u>591,000</u>	<u>605,424</u>	<u>14,424</u>
<b>Intergovernmental:</b>			
State:			
Shared revenue block grant	9,093	9,093	-
Meals and rooms distribution	94,358	94,358	-
Highway block grant	51,555	50,371	(1,184)
Landfill closure grant	20,000	12,159	(7,841)
Other	-	4,287	4,287
Total intergovernmental	<u>175,006</u>	<u>170,268</u>	<u>(4,738)</u>
<b>Charges for services:</b>			
Income from departments	<u>45,000</u>	<u>40,398</u>	<u>(4,602)</u>
<b>Miscellaneous:</b>			
Cable franchise fees	-	7,987	7,987
Sale of municipal property	5,000	-	(5,000)
Interest on investments	80,000	131,365	51,365
Rent of property	-	200	200
Insurance dividends and reimbursements	-	21,771	21,771
Other	12,000	3,775	(8,225)
Total miscellaneous	<u>97,000</u>	<u>165,098</u>	<u>68,098</u>
<b>Other financing sources:</b>			
Transfers in:			
Nonmajor fund:			
Cemetery trustees	-	511	511
Expendable trust	8,854	8,854	-
Capital reserve fund	42,500	38,206	(4,294)
Total other financing sources	<u>51,354</u>	<u>47,571</u>	<u>(3,783)</u>
Total revenues and other financing sources	<u>2,028,965</u>	<u>\$ 2,139,721</u>	<u>\$ 110,756</u>
Unreserved fund balance used to reduce tax rate	<u>322,000</u>		
Total revenues, other financing sources and use of fund balance	<u>\$ 2,350,965</u>		



**TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**Major General Fund**  
**Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended**

	Encumbered From Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures Net of Refunds	Encumbered To Subsequent Year	Variance Positive (Negative)
Debt service:					
Principal of long-term debt	-	135,000	135,000	-	-
Interest on long-term debt	-	59,963	59,175	-	788
Interest on tax anticipation notes	-	100	-	-	100
Total debt service	-	195,063	194,175	-	888
Capital outlay:					
Grantham Village School bridge	93,693	-	3,658	90,035	-
Fire department repeater	12,525	-	13,516	-	(991)
Town hall building improvements	-	-	21,008	-	(21,008)
Highway truck	-	42,000	38,206	-	3,794
Recreational fields	-	-	17,736	-	(17,736)
Fire department boiler replacement	-	8,854	8,854	-	-
Total capital outlay	106,218	50,854	102,978	90,035	(35,941)
Other financing uses:					
Transfers out:					
Nonmajor funds:					
Special revenue:					
Library operating	-	141,361	137,301	-	4,060
Capital reserve funds	-	131,500	131,500	-	-
Total other financing uses	-	272,861	268,801	-	4,060
Total appropriations, expenditures, other financing uses and encumbrances	\$ 106,218	\$ 2,350,965	\$ 2,211,363	\$ 90,035	\$ 155,785

**TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**General Fund**  
**Statement of Changes in Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2007**

Unreserved, undesignated fund balance, beginning	\$ 1,149,871
Changes:	
Unreserved fund balance used to reduce 2006-07 tax rate	(322,000)
2006-07 Budget summary:	
Revenue surplus (Schedule 1)	\$ 110,756
Unexpended balance of appropriations (Schedule 2)	155,785
2006-07 Budget surplus	266,541
Decrease in fund balance reserved for special purposes	22,192
Unreserved, undesignated fund balance, ending	\$ 1,116,604

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REPORT

In mid October longtime Grantham Selectman Bill Hutchins regrettably resigned his position on the board due to ill health. We were fortunate to have Alden "Chick" Pillsbury agree to serve for the remainder of Bill's term. October through March (Town Meeting) is an extremely busy time of the year with the setting of the tax rate, developing the budget and preparing for Town Meeting.

Throughout the past year the question regarding the time of day for the deliberative session of Town Meeting has been raised. It would appear that there is an overwhelming desire to have this session start at 5:00PM rather than 10:00AM so that more citizens can take part in our Town Meeting. In the past we tried to accommodate different requests by moving the date to a May Meeting with the deliberative session held on Saturday. This change was made in order to enable the "Snow Birds" who went south in the winter and were not here in March to participate in this very important meeting. Also, since it was held on Saturday, the working folks could attend. Unfortunately, we found that our attendance did not increase as much as predicted with many taking advantage of the beautiful spring weather by golfing or other outside activities. Ella Reney was instrumental in moving the meeting back to the traditional second Tuesday in March. Now we will try to accommodate those that cannot take the day off from their work and would like to take part in the direction of our Town for the coming year and start the deliberative session at 5:00PM. I hope we have a big turnout as it is so important for the citizens to participate in this...the purest form of democracy.

An ongoing topic of discussion this past year has been whether or not to have recycling be made mandatory. The State has mandated that all municipalities must be recycling at least 40% of their waste. At the present time Grantham is less than 20%. If we have to institute mandatory recycling the cost to the taxpayers will most certainly increase as we will have to hire more personnel. We plan, at this time, to try and make our Transfer Station more user friendly with perhaps a change in the traffic pattern and more clear signage so there will be less confusion as to where things go. Also, we are working on standard rules and regulations for the use of the transfer station and recycling center. If we can promote recycling without having to make it mandatory everyone will come out ahead and we will be doing our "green" share by being environmentally friendly and keeping less from going into landfills.

At last we have found an ideal property for our baseball and soccer fields. With this parcel of land we not only get the athletic fields we so desperately need with a home base for athletic endeavors but also a wonderful setting for developing our recreation programs. We do believe that this is the year to make a financial commitment and finally build Grantham's "field of dreams"!

*Connie, Harold and Chick*

*The future belongs to those  
who believe in the beauty of  
their dreams.*

*Eleanor Roosevelt*

## TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

My career with the Town of Grantham began in March 1998 when the voters elected me Town Clerk/Tax Collector; a position I held until being appointed as Town Administrator in August of 1999. The Board of Selectmen at that time were Chick Pillsbury, Bill Hutchins and Connie Jones. The Selectmen put their trust in me and gave me six months to prove I could do the job. Although there have been some bumps along the way I truly believe that I have exceeded their expectations as well as my own.

This town could not function without the many wonderful volunteers filling the board seats we have. Thank you Cindy Towle and Martha Menard for all your hard work coordinating the annual holiday potluck dinner. This dinner gives both volunteers and employees a chance to mingle and is a great way for the town to say thanks!

A few of the projects completed this year were the Highway Garage addition, Transfer Station building addition, well and septic system (*no more porta-potty*) and the FAST Squad vehicle.

The Selectmen's office increased the hours open to the public to better serve "you" the residents of Grantham. We have also tried to keep up with the age of technology by utilizing the internet for property information and, hopefully, a user-friendly town website.

This past year was an emotional year with the passing of Selectman Bill Hutchins and long-time town volunteer Bob Guyette. These men both served for many years and will be missed dearly. Bill was one of my constant selectmen and I will miss the stories he often told. It is always beneficial to have a selectman that knows Grantham and *remembers when*.

After many years as my assistant, Sarah Barton chose to leave the town's employment. I wish Sarah the best that life has to offer and should she ever open a restaurant I will be first in line...*more baklava, please!*

Following an extensive search, the Board of Selectman and I hired Melissa White as administrative assistant. Having previously worked for the City of Lebanon, Melissa brings the needed qualities to the position. Busy time of year to train a new employee but Melissa has jumped right in and is doing a great job.

A huge thank you to Martha Menard for the extra effort during the vacancy in my office; she did whatever was necessary to help me through. As you visit the Selectmen's Office you are greeted with a smiling face and a cheerful attitude.

As always, thank you to my family...they are the most precious assets I have. It is a pleasure to serve as Grantham's Town Administrator. We have a great (*not so little*) town and we all strive to do our best.

Respectfully submitted,

*Tina Stearns*

Tina Stearns, Town Administrator



(front row) Rita Eigenbrode, Tina Stearns, Cindy Towle  
(back row) Connie Jones, Martha Menard

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

2006-2007 was a busy time period for the Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk. Cindy and I became On-line Agents for the Department of Motor Vehicles. This enables us to complete registrations that we would otherwise be unable to do. Overweight vehicles, initial and conservation plates, and duplicate registrations can be done in our office.

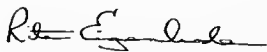
Remember that registrations can be done on-line. Just go to [www.granthamnh.net](http://www.granthamnh.net) and click on Register my Vehicle or the E-REG license plate further down the page.

As of January 1, 2008 Civil Union licenses are obtainable at the Town Clerk's office; the fee is \$45.00. Further information is available through our office or the Vital Records Bureau in Concord. Another new service we offer is the issuance of Certified Divorce Certificates.

Mark your calendars for the State Primary on September 9, 2008 and the Presidential election on November 4, 2008. You may register to vote at this office during regular office hours or with the Supervisors of the Checklist when they are in session. Proof of residency and proof of citizenship is required.

Cindy and I can be reached at 863-5608, fax 863-4499, [reigenbrode@granthamnh.net](mailto:reigenbrode@granthamnh.net), [ctowle@granthamnh.net](mailto:ctowle@granthamnh.net).

Respectfully submitted,

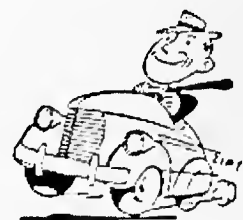


Rita Eigenbrode  
Town Clerk/Tax Collector



Cynthia Towle  
Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Revenues Collected (7/1/06 thru 6/30/07)	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$576,517.00
Municipal Agent Fees	8,695.00
Reclamation Trust Fund	8,009.50
Reclamation Admin Fees	1,692.00
Dog Licenses & Fines	3,276.50
State Dog Fund	1,358.50
Marriage Licenses	405.00
Vital Statistics Copies	1,156.00
U.C.C. Filings	495.00
Other Revenues	745.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$602,492.00</b>



## UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX LIENS

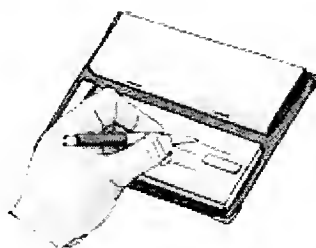
Year Ended June 30, 2007

Property Owner	Map-Lot	Property Address	2007	2006	05 & Prior	TOTALS
Alexander, Thomas J	235-025	Route 114	702.53			702.53
Argus Barclay Mellon Invest	213-081	3 Shore Road	256.79	249.6		506.39
Ashbury Properties Limited	216-114	1 Old Spring Drive	3193.93	1,960.18		5,154.11
Bard, Rose Marie	226-019	161 Yankee Barn Road	128.36	136.30	1,101.94	1,366.60
Barton, Henry C & Leila M	233-018	237 Pillsbury Road	481.42			481.42
Berio, Rich T & Tina M	235-027-011	137 Woodland Heights	904.06			904.06
Covel, Cynthia A	238-007	95 Jericho Road	3,485.97	22.98		3,508.95
Covill, Richard R & Barbara	232-007	631 Dunbar Hill Road		6,215.57		6,215.57
E J Realty Trust	222-142-010	10 Pioneer Point	81.32			81.32
E&F Development	232-001	Grey Ledges Lots only	4,283.87			4,283.87
E&F Development	232-001-022	1 Barrister Path	914.21			914.21
E&F Development	232-001-023	2 Barrister Path	1,015.54			1,015.54
Fisher, Amy	213-115	49 Shore Road	55.29			55.29
Garland, Peter H & Elizabeth H	214-007	25 Catamount Road	9,694.42			9,694.42
Hanslin Irr Trust	221-010	Rawson Ridge	852.68			852.68
Hanslin Irr Trust	235-021	Route 114	535.28			535.28
Hastings, Michael G	207-013	Leavitt Hill Road		53.39		53.39
Hoisington, David & Bernadette	216-039	101 Burpee Hill Road	2,335.46			2,335.46
JRH Holdings, LLC	233-020-002	15 Yankee Barn Road	1,313.00	5,834.07		7,147.07
Koenke, Bruce C	223-021	37 Whitetail Ridge	847.32			847.32
Masterson, Philip & Cheryl	207-006	81 Al Smith Road	1,087.92			1,087.92
Masterson, Philip & Cheryl	207-007	Leavitt Hill Road	60.19			60.19
Paquette, Christopher	237-054-003	Splitrock Road Lot C	948.39			948.39
Partridge, Edward & Deborah L	236-055	88 Stocker Pond Road		2,691.03		2,691.03
Partridge, Edward & Deborah L	235-029	I-89 Springfield Line		237.82		237.82
Prime, Elwin W	211-038	155 Tall Timber Drive	964.06			964.06
Quidnessett Realty LLC	215-010-019	619 Otter Road	55.12			55.12
Ray, Karl E	211-011	703 Miller Pond Road	6,234.25			6,234.25
Reed, Tina Marie	234-127	Howe Hill Road	52.34			52.34
Reney, Aaron & Jeremy	233-020-001	41 Yankee Barn Road	2,508.69	2,769.20		5,277.89
Underhill Jr, Robert K & Jane B	227-015	10 Meadowbrook Road	6,496.63	5,093.69		11,590.32
Whitney, Mark	212-118	26 High Pond Road	3,232.44			3,232.44
Wood, Steven R	226-013	870 Dunbar Hill Road	1,525.88			1,525.88

TOTALS:

\$ 54,247.36    \$ 25,263.83    \$ 1,101.94    \$ 80,613.13

Please note that not all of these lien amounts are currently outstanding.



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**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**

For the Municipality of GRANTHAM \_\_\_\_\_ Year Ending 6/30/2007 \_

**CREDITS**

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for this Year	PRIOR LEVIES		
	2006	2005 (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
Property Taxes	5,873,545.45	1,333,322.67		
Tax Lien Cost	1321.25			
Land Use Change	9,260.00			
Yield Taxes	3728.31	719.42		
Interest (include lien conversion)	5021.84	6620.95		
Yield Tax Interest		69.2		
Previous Year Prepay (included in line 1)				
Conversion to Lien (principal only)	59138.82	incl in line 1		
Bad Check Fee	50			

**ABATEMENTS MADE**

Property Taxes	7,641.79	730.71		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change Adjustment				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/lyd				
Utility Charges				
CU Adjustment				
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED				

**UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080**

Property Taxes	1,913,796.88	0		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	8850			
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/lyd				
Utility Charges				
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>7,823,215.52</b>	<b>\$1,341,462.95</b>		

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**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**

For the Municipality of GRANTHAM \_\_\_\_ Year Ending 6/30/2007 \_

**DEBITS**

	Last Year's Levy 2006	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2005	2004	PRIOR
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. of Fiscal Year		68,075.15	21,120.29	1,094.74
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	63,454.36			
Interest & Costs Collected (AFTER LIEN EXECUTION)	487.51	5,686.73	7,451.06	342.65
REFUND	17.25			
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>63,959.12</b>	<b>\$73,761.88</b>	<b>\$28,571.35</b>	<b>\$1,437.39</b>

**CREDITS**

REMITTED TO TREASURER:		Last Year's Levy 2006	PRIOR LEVIES		
			2005	2004	PRIOR
Redemptions		9,172.50	42,811.20	20,886.64	226.45
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	487.51	5,686.73	7,451.06	342.65
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes		51.75			
Liens Deeded to Municipality					
Unredeemed Liens Balance End of Year	#1110	54,247.36	25,263.95	233.65	868.29
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>\$63,959.12</b>	<b>\$73,761.88</b>	<b>\$28,571.35</b>	<b>\$1,437.39</b>

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a) ? YES

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE Re. E. G. G. DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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# Town Treasurer Report - Fiscal Year 2007

**BEGINNING BALANCE -- July 1, 2006:**

LSB Business Treasury NOW Acct.	\$2,693,289.13
NH PDIP-General Fund	\$818,232.06

**BEGINNING BALANCE TOTAL****\$3,511,521.19****YEARS RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS:****RECEIPTS:**

From Tax Collector	\$7,318,615.53
From Town Clerk	\$602,491.56
From Town Office	\$288,442.25
Interest Earned	\$128,971.29
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$8,338,520.63</b>

**ADJUSTMENTS:**

Bank Fees and Other Charges	(\$61.22)
Misc Tax Deposits and Transfers	\$11,101.10
Bad Check Deposits Returned by Bank	(\$5,555.91)
Bad Checks Redeposited	\$2,101.61
<b>TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS</b>	<b>\$7,585.58</b>

**TOTAL NET RECEIPTS** **\$8,346,106.21****DISBURSEMENTS PER SELECTBOARD ORDERS:**

Accounts Payable	\$5,689,107.86
Payroll and Benefits	\$3,121,264.11
Federal Tax 941 Electronic Transfer	\$140,563.59
less: Void Checks (stop payment)	(\$179,898.64)

**TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS** **\$8,771,036.92****YEARS NET RECEIPTS OR (DISBURSEMENTS)****(\$424,930.71)****ENDING BALANCE -- June 30, 2007****\$3,086,590.48****ACCOUNTS BALANCE RECONCILIATION -- June 30, 2007:**

LSB Business Treasury NOW Account	\$2,226,780.35
NH PDIP-General Fund	\$859,810.13

**YEAR END ACCOUNTS TOTAL -- June 30, 2007****\$3,086,590.48****TOWN NON-BUDGET ACCOUNTS:**

	Balance 6/30/06	Balance 6/30/07
Conservation Comm. - NH PDIP	\$62,827.00	\$66,019.47
Sherwood Forest - NH PDIP	\$4,159.49	\$4,370.85
Holbrook Account - LSB Savings	\$2,315.58	\$2,321.34
Ronald Hastings - LSB Savings	\$1,894.15	\$1,698.46
Reclamation Fund - LSB Savings	\$34,536.30	\$44,962.39

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Christopher E. Morris, Treasurer*



## NOTES



## TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

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1	(page 1 of 4)				Balance	PRINCIPAL		PRINCIPAL
2	Date of	Name of	Purpose of	How	Beginning	New	With-	Balance End of
3	Creation	Trust Fund	Trust	Invested	07/01/06	Funds	drawals	Year 06/30/07
4								
5								
6	1900-2005	CEMETERY FUNDS	Cemeteries	LSB CD/SAV	35546.91	1350.00	0.00	36896.91
7								
8								
9		OTHER TRUST FUNDS						
10	1891	Grantham School Fund	Grantham Village					
11		Sale of Leased Land	School	SA LSB	623.00	0.00	0.00	623.00
12	1915	Hiram Buswell Fund	Dunbar Library	SA LSB	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
13	06/18/85	Glenn Hudson Mem Fund	Scholarship Fund	CD LSB	2985.00	0.00	0.00	2985.00
14	01/30/97	JP & MM English Educ Fund	Educ Excellence	SS/CD LSB	11248.43	0.00	0.00	11248.43
15		Totals Other Trust Funds			15156.43	0.00	0.00	15156.43
16								
17								
18								
19		CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS						
20	05/10/90	Fire Dept Apparatus	Fire Trucks, etc	SRSB 2 CDs	69100.00	75000.00	0.00	144100.00
21	07/17/93	Office Computer	New Computer	MBIA 0010	1475.00	1996.86	0.00	3471.86
22	12/15/95	Mower Fund	New Mowers	MBIA 0012	10500.00	0.00	0.00	10500.00
23	12/18/98	Police Dept Console	Radio Equip	MBIA 0020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
24	02/15/00	Highway Equip Fund	Public Works	LSB 2CDs 544	90000.00	30000.00	0.00	120000.00
25	10/31/02	Village District Sec Improv	Improv Update	MBIA-0026	10098.78	0.00	5625.00	4473.78
26	07/17/03	Transfer Station Equip	TS Equipment	SRSB CD 549	30000.00	10000.00	0.00	40000.00
27	07/17/03	Police Vehicles	Police Vehicles	LSB CD 550	10000.00	10000.00	0.00	20000.00
28	10/08/04	GVS Construction	School Bldg	SRSB/LSB CD	146063.96	77000.00	0.00	223063.96
29	02/22/05	Ball Field Construction	Ball Fields	MBIA-0029	30000.00	5000.00	0.00	35000.00
30	04/27/05	Village District Comm Syst	Commun System	MBIA-0034	5000.00	0.00	0.00	5000.00
31	04/27/05	Village District Inv Hardware	Inventory Hdwre	MBIA-0033	17354.18	16605.01	15000.00	18959.19
32	04/27/05	Vill Dist Filter Media	Filter Media	MBIA-0032	5000.00	0.00	0.00	5000.00
33	04/27/05	Vill Dist Office Equip	Office Equip	MBIA-0031	8000.00	3000.00	5812.00	5188.00
34	04/27/05	Vill Dist Storage Tank	Storage Tank	MBIA-0030	30000.00	40000.00	0.00	70000.00
35	11/28/05	Vill Dist Decomm Wells	Gravel Wells	MBIA-0035	15000.00	20000.00	0.00	35000.00
36	03/10/06	Vill Dist Rejuvenate Wells	Rejuv Wells	MBIA-0036	20000.00	15000.00	0.00	35000.00
37	04/12/07	Vill Dist Vehicle Replacement	Vehicle Replace	MBIA-0038	0.00	7000.00	0.00	7000.00
38								
39		TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS			497591.92	31060187	26437.00	781756.79
40								
41								

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43					Balance	PRINCIPAL		PRINCIPAL
44	Date of	Name of	Purpose of	How	Beginning	New	With-	Balance End of
45	Creation	Trust Fund	Trust	Invested	07/01/06	Funds	drawals	Year 06/30/07
47		EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS						
49	12/27/95	Village District of Eastman	Gen/Pump Maint	MBIA-0007	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
50	12/27/95	Village District of Eastman	Water Main Maint	MBIA-0005	100000.00	20000.00	0.00	120000.00
51	12/27/95	Village District of Eastman	Water Main Maint	SRSB CD	150000.00	0.00	0.00	150000.00
52	2003 & 05	Village District of Eastman	Backflow/Meter Rep	MBIA-0028	53204.00	0.00	47161.90	6042.10
53	12/15/95	Expendable General Trust	Town Emerg Repairs	MBIA-0021	15085.68	0.00	9000.00	6085.68
54	01/21/97	GVS Expendable Trust	School Emerg Repairs	MBIA-0015	18080.00	0.00	0.00	18080.00
55	01/31/00	GVS Special Educ Exp Trust	Special Education	MBIA/LSB CD	40000.00	30000.00	22000.00	48000.00
56	10/09/03	GVS Tuition Expense	Secondary Tuition	SRSB CD 551	100000.00	0.00	33000.00	67000.00
57	02/13/07	GVS Tuition Expendable Tr	Secondary Tuition	MBIA-0037	0.00	10000.00	10000.00	0.00
59		TOTAL EXPENDABLE TRUSTS			476369.08	60000.00	121161.90	415207.78
61	06/30/07	REPORT TOTAL			1024664.94	371951.87	147598.90	1249017.91

## TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

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1	(page 3 of 4)	PRINCIPAL	INCOME				GRAND TOTAL
2		Balance End	Balance Beg	Income	Expended	Balance	Principal
3		of Year	of Year	During Year	During Year	End of Year	& Income
4		06/30/06	06/30/06			06/30/07	06/30/07
5							
6	CEMETERY FUNDS	36896.91	11230.35	2341.54	1399.37	12172.52	49069.43
7							
8							
9	OTHER TRUST FUNDS						
10	Grantham School Fund						
11	Sale of Leased Land	623.00	2.99	1.69	2.99	1.69	624.69
12	Hiram Buswell Fund	300.00	1.44	0.81	1.44	0.81	300.81
13	Glenn Hudson Mem Fund	2985.00	180.55	137.74	270.00	48.29	3033.29
14	JP & MM English Educ Fund	11248.43	347.17	453.53	559.42	241.28	11489.71
15							
16	<i>Totals Other Trust Funds</i>	<i>15156.43</i>	<i>532.15</i>	<i>593.77</i>	<i>833.85</i>	<i>292.07</i>	<i>15448.50</i>
17							
18							
19	CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS						
20	Fire Dept Apparatus	144100.00	19649.47	7625.65	0.00	27275.12	171375.12
21	Office Computer	3471.86	1169.96	229.38	0.00	1399.34	4871.20
22	Mower Fund	10500.00	1980.86	634.22	0.00	2615.08	13115.08
23	Police Dept Console	0.00	589.87	29.24	0.00	619.11	619.11
24	Highway Equip Fund	120000.00	9593.07	5795.04	0.00	15388.11	135388.11
25	Village District Sec Improv	4473.78	529.50	394.86	0.00	924.36	5398.14
26	Transfer Station Equip	40000.00	1630.25	1908.68	0.00	3538.93	43538.93
27	Police Vehicles	20000.00	476.30	991.82	0.00	1468.12	21468.12
28	GVS Construction	223063.96	4120.28	3133.61	0.00	7253.89	230317.85
29	Ball Field Construction	35000.00	1381.26	1841.08	0.00	3222.34	38222.34
30	Village District Comm Syst	5000.00	209.03	264.68	0.00	473.71	5473.71
31	Village District Inv Hardware	18959.19	498.98	692.08	0.00	1191.06	20150.25
32	Vill Dist Filter Media	5000.00	209.03	264.68	0.00	473.71	5473.71
33	Vill Dist Office Equip	5188.00	248.99	221.53	0.00	470.52	5658.52
34	Vill Dist Storage Tank	70000.00	1254.12	1953.42	0.00	3207.54	73207.54
35	Vill Dist Decomm Wells	35000.00	369.72	1277.48	0.00	1647.20	36647.20
36	Vill Dist Rejuvenate Wells	35000.00	266.40	1166.77	0.00	1433.17	36433.17
37	Vill Dist Vehicle Replacement	7000.00	0.00	63.94	0.00	63.94	7063.94
38							
39	<i>TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS</i>	<i>781756.79</i>	<i>44177.09</i>	<i>28486.16</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>72665.25</i>	<i>854422.04</i>

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41	(page 4 of 4)						
42		PRINCIPAL	INCOME				GRAND TOTAL
43		Balance End	Balance Beg	Income	Expended	Balance	Principal
44		of Year	of Year	During Year	During Year	End of Year	& Income
45		06/30/06	06/30/06			06/30/07	06/30/07
46	EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS						
48	Vill Dist Gen/Pump Maintenance	0.00	671.45	33.76	0.00	705.21	705.21
49	Vill Dist Water Main Maintenance	120000.00	40414.04	7317.63	0.00	47731.67	167731.67
50	Vill Dist Water Main Maintenance	150000.00	0.00	6529.57	0.00	6529.57	156529.57
51	Vill Dist Backflow/Meter	6042.10	959.54	926.03	0.00	1885.57	7927.67
52	Expendable General Trust	6085.68	5355.63	719.31	0.00	6074.94	12160.62
53	GVS Expendable Trust	18080.00	8790.23	1365.39	0.00	10155.62	28235.62
54	GVS Special Educ Exp Trust	48000.00	2180.95	2131.89	0.00	4312.84	52312.84
55	GVS Tuition Expense	67000.00	5020.29	4785.47	10375.01	-569.25	66430.75***
56	GVS Tuition Expendable Tr	0.00	0.00	10129.06	10000.00	129.06	129.06
57	TOTAL EXPENDABLE TRUSTS						
58		415207.78	63392.13	33938.11	20375.01	76955.23	492163.01
59							
60	REPORT TOTAL	1249017.91	119331.72	65361.58	22608.23	162085.07	1411102.98
61							
62			***Note: \$569.25 SRSB Interest penalty for early withdrawal.				



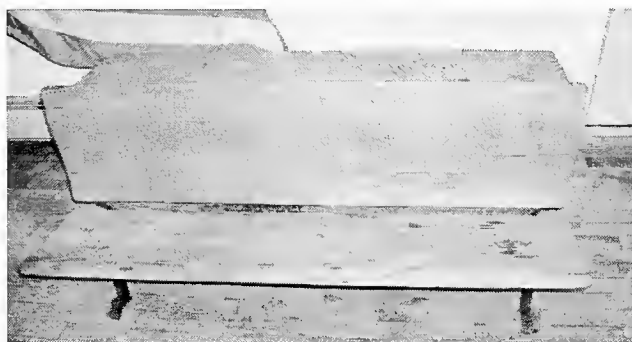
## CEMETERY TRUSTEES



## GRANTHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Grantham Historical Society had a good year. We did not get everything done that we had wished but on the whole it was a useful and successful year. The main floor of the old town office building has two full rooms, an annex for supplies and storage and a smaller annex (which may become a coatroom), a vault which can be locked and secured and a restroom serves well for both the Historical Society and the town archivist, Lea Frey.

We have had good success in attracting members (over one hundred). However, we hope and expect that members will do more than just pay dues - that they will volunteer and help us with all the expertise they have acquired elsewhere in previous occupations. The exemplars of this are some almost indispensable members such as our secretary, Pat Andrews, treasurer Phyllis Forest, vice-president Ken Story, Bob and Cathy Champagne, Mort Shea, Barbara Rodgers, Barbara Mutney, and the Howards, Dennis and Connie, Diane Shagoury and Renee Gustafson.



Bob and Cathy Champagne rescued one of the old blackboards used in the school, cleaned and mounted it on the back wall (above, left). Connie and Dennis Howard contributed an old desk (c. 1900) that had once been used at the school (above, right). Diane and Renee have arranged two displays, one of the artifacts from cellar holes on Diane's land and the other of the history of the building which was built as the #7 schoolhouse in 1856. Phyllis Forest gave more material about school #7 and her grandmother Meora Loverin's connection with it. These displays are well worth examining.



Ken Story was an important contributor to our successful year. Ken researched and led two village tours in June and September, explaining the history and architectural styles in the village. It was all so well done and popular that we are planning to do it again on June 28, 2008.

Ken and Bob Champagne are working on an application for Historic Register nomination of our building. Mort Shea arranged to have our sign made and mounted on the west side of the building. Several members helped the Cemetery Commission clean up the Four Corners Cemetery on October 21, 2007.

A few changes have occurred this year. We have dropped the February, April and November meetings.

Our printed newsletter is now distributed via email to about 85% of our members and to the remaining by real mail, saving us money. We have established a Collections Committee and a Collection Policy. Those who wish to contribute artifacts, photographs, etc., may either loan or give items to the Society. Donors are responsible for valuation of gifts for tax purposes.

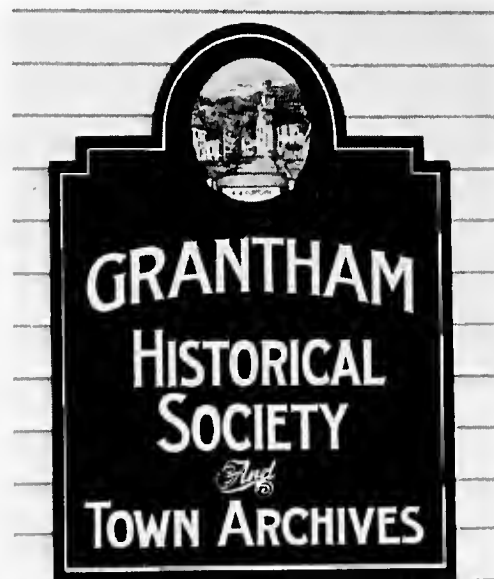
Our year begins January 1st and dues should be paid then. Dues are still \$10.00 for individuals and \$25.00 for a family membership. Our meetings during 2008 are on March 15 at 1:00 PM, our annual meeting on May 8 with a special program and October 16 at 7:00 PM with a program from the New Hampshire Humanities Council. Executive Committee meetings are held almost every month on Wednesday evenings. Please feel free to contact any member of the Committee with questions.

Respectfully submitted,

*Allen G. Walker*  
*President*



*Allen Walker, peruses the 2006 Town Report during Town Meeting.*





## TOWN ARCHIVIST

GRANTHAM TOWN ARCHIVES: 34 DUNBAR HILL ROAD

The former Town Vault in the old Village (Hollow) School on Dunbar Hill Road has been transformed into a room to store archival material. Here can be found the Town of Grantham early records which include town inventories, ratable taxes, early vital statistics, school registries, and photographs among other records. A very early copy of the Proprietors book (1776) is also stored here as well as a later copy which can be read easily.

Folders containing genealogy and other material on early settlers of Grantham have been created and maintained for descendants to research. Early histories of the Town of Grantham are also available to the public. A collection of copies of early newspapers to the present has also been placed in notebooks. If anyone has town related photographs, Grantham letters or family histories, the Grantham Archives would be honored to store and maintain them for everyone to enjoy.

The Town Archives and Grantham Historical Society are open to the public on Fridays from 1 to 4 PM or by appointment; our telephone number is 863-9701.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Lea Frey, Town Archivist*



(photo of the Maxwell Inn, 1915)  
(Presently the residence of Ken Story on Route 10 South  
to the left of the Dunbar Free Library.)

## ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

I started last years report with several comments on the mild winters we have had lately. I don't think you'll hear any comments like that from me or anyone else after this year. I guess we were overdue for a good one.

This year's summer paving projects were a 1" overlay on Dunbar Hill Road and a shim and overlay on Burpee Hill Road. In addition to these roads we had planned to overlay the north entrance to Olde Farms but due to the unpredictable increases in oil and, consequentially, pavement we were forced to postpone this until next summer.

Our other summer road projects included ditching and reshaping Haystack and Top O' World roads, shaping and placing approximately 1000' of road fabric on the lower part of Miller Pond Road and 600' on Burpee Hill Road and topping it with 6" of crushed gravel.

We tore down our old sand shed in preparation for the addition to the highway garage. The additional space has made repairing our equipment, if not enjoyable, at least easier to accomplish.

In early May we raked, cleaned up and mowed the cemeteries, spiffing them up for Memorial Day. We also mow Brookside Park, the town common, fire station and the ballfield throughout the summer.

All the roads were graded 2 and 3 times throughout the summer. Chloride was spread on the hills and high traffic areas throughout town. We spread 2,200 tons of crushed gravel in conjunction with our road grading and road maintenance program.

I think everyone is pretty familiar with our winter maintenance program. We start plowing when we get a couple of inches and continue until the storm ends. We try to maintain the bus routes at the appropriate times to make sure they deliver everyone safely to and from school.

Last year we used approximately 140 tons of salt and 1,400 tons of winter sand. As I write this report in mid January we have already used close to that amount so far this year.

In closing I would like to thank everyone for their patience and support. We enjoy the variety of work that a small town requires and the friendliness of the people we meet daily.

Thanks again,

The Public Works Department (*all 2 of us*)

*Joseph Newcomb, Road Agent*

*Jeffrey Hastings, Asst. Road Agent*



## TRANSFER STATION REPORT - MT TRASHMORE

Wow, has it been one fast year in which many changes have come to pass. The first was the unexpected passing of the torch, when in May '07 Tony Wilson turned in his resignation. This act put me on top as Supervisor/Driver here at Mount Trashmore. It's been a real challenge, but one I'm up to. It is our goal here to provide quality, safe, reliable service that the people have come to depend on. We are professional and pride ourselves on giving quality service. Safety...*what does it mean to you?* To me it means that you leave the same way you came in, hopefully with a smile. For Mr. Hamilton and myself it has been extremely trying at times, but it's always fulfilling in the end.

The second change here is the shop extension. Many of you asked me and my staff why we needed it, well people...it is your investment. The roll off truck is inside now out of the elements, this alone will extend the life of the truck and we thank you very much for it. There have been many issues over the year brought to our attention by the residents, and I would like to take this time to answer some of them. *How come we can't leave paint?* It is not my rule, it's the State of NH's and we must adhere to this strictly. *Why must we pay for bulky items?* Because it costs the Town of Grantham to have these items disposed of.

There will be a **Hazardous Waste Day** in the year 2008. It will be on **June 28, 2008** and as we get closer to this date I'll post the hours and what you may or may not bring, so keep your eyes peeled for info.

When all fails, please ask myself or one of my attendants. We can help and will do so if asked. This brings to mind another issue, attitude. Here at Mount Trashmore we deal with over 3,000 attitudes. We try to be helpful, friendly and courteous. There has been a time when that's not been returned to us. I'll tell you now; it's very frustrating for us here - please have a pleasant attitude. There are many rules, regulations and laws that we follow, these supersede the rules set forth by the Town. When we go to Concord to recertify annually, yes, we are required by state law to be certified operators, we find new laws and regulations in place. No doubt there will be new ones in May 2008. We have been asked numerous times about selling dump stickers/bulky item tickets here; there is no way we can do this, just too busy and we don't want the added responsibility.

We welcome Ron Fowler to our team. He has performed superbly. It's been over three years for Mr. Hamilton and myself, it's been very good so far and with your support we look forward to many more years.

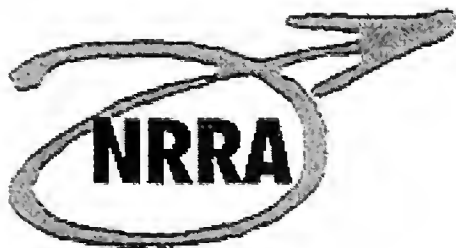
As I close this, my first annual report, I just wanted you to know that we have gone over three years at Mount Trashmore without a reported injury. We practice safety first for your protection as well as ours. It's my most ardent hope that you, the Grantham taxpayers, are very pleased with the services that we have provided and will continue to provide us with your cooperation. Again thank you for your help. Remember recycling pays. ***What Grantham makes, Mount Trashmore takes!***

Respectfully submitted,

*Frank Chaisson, Supervisor*

*Attendants: Ray Hamilton & Ron Fowler*





A Recycling "Co-operative":  
Working Together to Make Municipal Recycling Strong!!!

Northeast Resource Recovery Association, 2101 Dover Road, Epsom, NH 03234

Telephone: (603)736-4401

E-mail: [info@nrna.net](mailto:info@nrna.net)

Fax: (603)736-4402

Web Site: [www.nrra.net](http://www.nrra.net)

## **Town of Grantham**

Congratulations for being such active recyclers!

Below please find information on the positive impact this recycling has had on your environment.

The recyclable materials listed below were sent to market to be remanufactured into new products through your non-profit recycling cooperative, the Northeast Resource Recovery Association.

<b>Recyclable Material</b>	<b>Amount Recycled In 2007</b>	<b>Environmental Impact!</b> <small>Here is <u>only one</u> benefit of using this recycled material rather than natural resources (raw materials) to manufacture new products.</small>
Paper	210 tons	Saved 3,571 trees!
Plastics	1 tons	Conserved 450 gallons of gasoline!
Scrap Metal	41 Tons	Conserved 41,402 pounds of coal!
Steel	16,800 lbs.	Conserved enough energy to run a 60 watt light bulb for 436,800 hours!

NH/VT Solid Waste Project  
Sullivan County Regional Refuse Disposal District  
&  
Grantham Recycling Review & Improvement Committee

As of July 1, 2007 the operational activities of the Project ceased, as planned, and the process of closing the office began. All accounts receivable were collected and accounts payable were satisfied. The office was closed and all of its furnishings and equipment were donated to Women's Supportive Services. A final audit was conducted, as of 11/30/07, with it's findings indicating that all real assets had been turned into cash and that with the exception of the Tax Abatement Law Suit against the City of Claremont, all financial activities were complete. The status of the suit is that it has been heard in Superior Court and the decision of the Judge is to be rendered. The City had an assessed value of aprox. \$15 Million, on the incinerator and surrounding land, and the Projects appraiser believes its value to be approx. \$5 million. During the 20 year life of the Project over \$8 million has been paid to the city in Real Estate taxes. The expected value of the abatement action is thought to be in the 300 to 500 thousand-dollar range. At the conclusion of this activity all cash will be distributed to the 29 members on the basis of the 11-year total tonnage that each member community contributed and with this, all requirements will have been met, and the Project will be disbanded.

SCRRDD is still in existence and will be until the final Project funds are available and distributed. Other than the distribution of the final funds the District provides no services to the members. At the appropriate time Grantham will withdraw from the District, as was instructed by your vote at the 2006 town meeting.

The negotiations, for the disposal of our non-recyclable waste, were finalized with Casella Corp. being awarded a five-year contract. The contract provides for both non-recyclable and C&D waste to be delivered to their GDS facility in Newport with a single tipping fee of \$81.00 / ton. While this is lower than we had been paying, it is subject to an annual CPI based increase. There is also a fuel adjustment charge for costs above \$3.05/gallon.

The Selectmen have created a Recycling Review & Improvement Committee. At present there are 4 members and meetings are held at Town Hall on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month. While still being in the throws of organizing, it is expected that it will be communicating with the community on proposed goals and other information on how we are performing currently and what we could do to improve our efforts.

With costs looking like they will be rising significantly due to inflation, it becomes even more important that everything that can be removed from the waste stream be maximized. Your efforts in the past have been very commendable but it is to all of our benefit to give an even better effort in the months and years ahead. Last year you were made aware that the State DES monitors how well we do on an annualized basis, and the results for all communities are published. They then judge how well we all do as to achieving the State mandated goal of 40%.

Should you have any questions, please bring them to town meeting where there will be an opportunity to have them addressed. Thank You

*Arthur Magowan*

*Your Representative to the NH/VTSWP,SCRRDD & member of the Recycling Committee*

## POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT



*"There are not enough jails, not enough policemen, not enough courts to enforce a law not supported by the people."*

*Hubert H. Humphrey, Speech 1965*

As I conclude my 20th-year as your Chief of Police, I reflect back on my years in Grantham. When I took this job as your Police Chief, there were less than 30 children in the Grantham Village School; there was less than a dozen homes in the Olde Farms section of town; Eastman was truly a seasonal community; the Post Office was located where the Lake Sunapee Bank now stands; and there was no Sawyer Brook Plaza. The Police Department was located in the upstairs of the old town office building and I was the only full time officer; long weeks were commonplace. In 1990, our second full time officer was hired. Officer Jerry Whitney was an experienced and professional addition to the Department.

As the Town grew, so did our duties and we hired a third full time officer. The Department growth and activity in the town has been steady. Now with over 240 children in our school, well over 100 homes in Olde Farms, and the shift of Eastman becoming a full time community, our workload continues to grow and as you can see, the Police Department has experienced a wide variety of change. The Town has grown from a sleepy hamlet to a rural suburb of the Upper Valley. Our school is constantly expanding and the Police Department has made our children's safety a top priority.

The D.A.R.E. program is in its second year; home invasions are down because patrols have increased; calls for service and motor vehicle offenses have increased because this activity stays parallel with the proportion of people and traffic; and yes, we have crimes -- computer offenses, drugs, vehicle thefts, assaults, and sex offenses are almost commonplace. Yes, in Grantham, even though, as I am sure, the average citizen feels this is a quiet little town, and they should.

The point being that in the last twelve months, from December 2006 to the end of November 2007, the Grantham Police Department has covered 1,033 calls for service. A 20% increase over the last year, and these numbers only reflect the original call. A house check when a resident leaves town is one call for service. This number does not reflect that an officer drives to that residence every day for the duration that the home owner is gone, nor the number of hours to investigate a theft, nor the aggregate number of hours spent in court. All this and more is a part of the Police Department that goes unnoticed.

Our ability to give you, the citizens of Grantham, quality police protection is based on the basic needs in order for Police Officers to do the job. The three important aspects police work are:

1. The knowledge to do the job
2. Reliable transportation to the problem
3. An acceptable way to document cases

The Town's decision to update our cruisers last year was a giant step in the right direction. Please don't let us lose that momentum. With the additional officer voted in last year and the increase of activity, our new cruisers are averaging over 100 miles a day. The new Charger has already clocked over 18,000 miles in the first six months of use. There are two things that destroy cruisers -- mileage and years in service.

In closing, I would like to thank the residents of Grantham. The growth of your police department has been wholesome and your support has given us, the members of the Grantham Police Department, the ability to keep our town, and most importantly our children, safe. I thank the citizens of Grantham for their support and look forward to our continued service to you.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Russell E. Lary, Chief of Police*



### POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007



Forcible Fondling .....	1
Aggravated Assault .....	1
Simple Assault .....	2
Intimidation .....	1
Burglary / Breaking & Entering .....	2
Theft from Building .....	3
Theft from Motor Vehicle .....	3
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts .....	1
All Other Larceny .....	6
Motor Vehicle Theft .....	1
Counterfeiting / Forgery .....	1
False Pretenses / Swindle .....	10
Credit Card Theft / Automatic Teller ..	2
Impersonation .....	1
Stolen Property Offenses .....	1
Destruction / Damage / Vandalism ...	10
Drug / Narcotic Violations .....	9
Drug Equipment Violations .....	1
Bad Checks .....	2
Disorderly Conduct .....	3
Driving Under the Influence .....	9
Family Offenses, Nonviolent .....	1
Liquor Law Violations .....	10
Runaway .....	2
Trespass of Real Property .....	2
All Other Offenses* .....	862
<b>Traffic Citations and Warnings Issued: .....</b>	<b>868</b>
<b>TOTAL Incidents .....</b>	<b>1,813</b>

*\*All Other Incidents include (but are not limited to):*

Harassment	Public Assists	Pistol Permit Applications
Motor Vehicle Complaints	Vehicle/Building Lockouts	Road Obstructions
Traffic Problems	Animal-related Incidents	Town By-law Offenses
Service of Subpoenas	Service of Protective Orders	Enforcement of Protective Orders
Gas Drive Offs	Traffic Related Incidents	Dog Control Law Violations
Offender Registration	Death Notifications	Fire / Business / Residence Alarms
Found / Lost Property	Suspicious Persons / Vehicles	House Checks
Motor Vehicle Accidents with Property Damage and/or Injury		Littering



*Chief Russell Lary, Bob Schwartz, John Parsons, Capt. Walter Madore, Sr., Tom Harriman prepare for the goblins of Halloween.*

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE

At the 2006 town meeting, voters authorized the establishment of a Capital Improvement Program (C.I.P.). The CIP identifies "large scale capital expenditure projects" and their costs over successive six year budget cycles. Grantham has defined "large scale capital expenditures projects" as those with costs at least \$5,000 with a useful life of at least three years.

The CIP is an important part of Grantham's planning process; it facilitates budget development, coordinates infrastructure improvements and serves as the statutory basis for assessment of impact fees for new development. It is an advisory tool for the selectmen to use in determining the annual expenditures that will be presented to the voters for approval.

The Board of Selectmen appointed a CIP committee in July, 2006. The Board of Selectmen named the following residents to serve on the CIP Committee:

*Roger Woodworth, Chair*  
*Karen Ryan*  
*Bill Zimmerman*

*Bob Champagne*  
*Mary Hutchins*  
*Bruce St. Peter*

*Bob Friday*  
*Charles McCarthy*  
*Alan Tanenbaum*

The CIP Committee has worked with the town's department heads to identify appropriate projects, their costs and the budget year(s) in which the expenditures will occur. A CIP report is prepared each year for presentation to the selectmen. It is anticipated that a public hearing on the CIP report will be scheduled each year before the annual town meeting.

*Capital Improvements Program: 674: 6 Purpose and Description. - The capital improvements program shall classify projects according to the urgency and need for realization and shall recommend a time sequence for their implementation. The program may also contain the estimated cost of each project and indicate probable operating and maintenance costs and probable revenues, if any, as well as existing sources of funds or the need for additional sources of funds for the implementation and operation of each project. The program shall be based on information submitted by the department and agencies of the municipality and shall take into account public facility needs indicated by the prospective development shown in the master plan of the municipality or as permitted by other municipal land use controls. Source. 1983, 447: 1, eff. Jan. 1, 1984.*

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## BUILDING PERMIT SUPERVISOR

73 Building Permits were issued for the year 2007 which represents about a 20% reduction over the previous year. New homes and additions accounted for the bulk of the permits (23), with garages (16), sheds (6) and other improvements (28) accounting for the rest. Once again, all homeowners are urged to display prominent street number signs that are observable from the roads. Besides being a helpful safety/emergency item, Town ordinances require them.

Any questions or concerns on building permit applications or building codes, just contact me at the Town Office on 863-6021 or at home on 863-5863.

*Roger Woodworth,*  
*Building Permit Supervisor*





## **PLANNING BOARD**

### **SITE PLAN REVIEW**

M/L 226-021; Rte 10 North; Rum Brook Place; Non-Profit Thrift Shop

M/L 233-026; 120 Rte 10 South; Sawyer Brook Plaza; Pizza Chef

M/L 233-007; 5 Willis Avenue; Business Offices & Art Gallery

M/L 233-027; 84 Rte 10 South; 8'x16' Cooler

### **BOUNDARY LINE ADJUSTMENT**

Connelly & Freudenberg; M/L 222-068, 069, 070; Summit Drive

### **SUBDIVISION**

Apsey; M/L 221-064; Nightingale Lane

Martin; M/L 227-026; Dunbar Hill Road

### **ANNEXATION**

Freudenberg; M/L 222-069, 070

Barnes; M/L 225-303, 304

Hastings; M/L 213-061, 062

Dumont; M/L 215-038,040

*Members: Chair Carl Hanson, Alden "Chick" Pillsbury, Charles McCarthy, Karen Ryan  
Alternates Larry Fuller & Robert Barnes*

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## **ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

During the past fiscal year, the Zoning Board of Adjustment met six times to consider three applications for variance to the Zoning Ordinance and one application for a special exception. There were two requests for conceptual interpretations of the Zoning Ordinance. Only one of these requests for approval was associated with residential requirements of the Ordinance while the others were concerned with commercial and home business matters. The Board approved all the applications.

This past year there were no proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, a respite from the last several years when the Town was asked to vote on a number of changes to improve, clarify and update the various Articles in the Zoning Ordinance. A number of Articles were also amended and added to follow up the recommendations made in the Town's latest Master Plan. It is anticipated that any amendments in the near future would be primarily to comply with future updated State regulations.

I would like to express my appreciation to my fellow Board members for their continued reliable and conscientious efforts on behalf of Town through their participation on the Zoning Board of Adjustment. I would also like to express our gratitude to Martha Menard, who recently joined the Board as our Clerk.

Respectively submitted,

*Conrad F. Frey, Chair*

*Members: John Clayton, Richard Mansfield, Peter Gardiner, Tanya McIntire*

*Alternates: Myron Cummings & Margery Bostrom*

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Grantham Conservation Commission has quickened its pace of activity considerably this year. To that end, several actions are underway to address, identify, prioritize and conserve important lands in Grantham. The first of these actions was a contract with The Ecosystem Management Company of New London, NH to prepare a Forest Management plan for the 433 acres owned by the Town of Grantham. This excellent plan, completed in January 2007 covers the 55 acre parcel managed by the Commission and provides an update to the long outdated plan prepared in 1991 for the remainder of the town owned land. A second action, geared toward a grant to study and catalog the town wide natural aesthetic or ecological resources as an aid to the Commission's conservation efforts, was a success. We were awarded a grant for \$4990 from the NH State Conservation Committee Moose Plate Fund. We contracted with Plymouth State University to execute the task. Town wide ecological maps have been prepared and reviewed by the Commission. Also, sections of final documentation have been reviewed. These actions will enhance the Commission's database of information geared to the conservation and ultimately, management of the conserved lands.

The Commission asked for and received permission from the Selectmen to place a conservation easement on the 36 acre town owned parcel known as the "Smith Property" located on Miller Pond Road. This parcel is located directly across from the conserved Flewelling Property. The Commission is working with the Upper Valley Land Trust in this endeavor.

The Perambulation of the Town's boundaries started in 2005. All but one marker have been found over the last two years of effort. The remaining marker, last located in October 1953, is a critical one located at a corner within Corbin Park. In early June, members of the Commission in conjunction with their Plainfield counterpart made a trip into the Park. Although we had a picture taken during the 1953 perambulation and had advanced technology provided by a local surveyor we were unsuccessful. We did, however, find a pair of nesting Nighthawks which was very significant due to the declining presence of this bird in New Hampshire. The Commission plans additional effort on this task come Spring.

The Commission has been working with the Eastman Community Association to conserve a critical wetland area known as the Frog Pond that contains 11 acres. Part of the area will be retained by Eastman as a stump dump. The majority of the land will be placed under conservation easement much to the joy of the numerous frogs, moose and deer that inhabit the area. Conserved lands throughout Grantham represent areas where residents and visitors alike can enjoy the recreational potential of the land.

As always, the Commission has been active in the protection of the town's wetlands and shoreline around the six public waters, namely Eastman Lake, Anderson Pond, Butternut Pond, Stocker Pond, Miller Pond and Leavitt Pond. In this vain the New Hampshire Legislature has passed a major revision to the Shoreland Protection Act. Revised rules implementing this act are due to take effect in April 2008. These new rules in conjunction to a revision to the "protected waters" may have an impact on some property owners.

Respectfully Submitted,  
The Grantham Conservation Commission Members  
*Richard Hocker; Chair; Andy Eastman, Adele Furdyna,  
Jeremy Turner, Patricia Woolson and Merle Schotamus*

## DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY TRUSTEES REPORT

In 2007, the board accepted the resignation of Phyliss Katz and appointed Cindy Towle to fill in for her term and as alternate chair. Donna Stamper was elected to the Chair, Don Noordsy was elected Treasurer, Joy Lamont was elected Secretary and Judith Danzoll was elected Corresponding Secretary. Our meetings are monthly at 7 PM at the Library on the 4th Thursday (except in Dec. on the 2nd Thursday and no meeting in July and November). The public is welcome and invited!

This year we had an energy audit done on the building and have completed the recommendations except for the replacement of the double hung windows in the original portion of the building. We hope the town will support this capital improvement project. With oil near the \$100 per barrel mark saving on fuel and heating bills makes economic sense. Other maintenance will involve some painting and landscaping and repair to the original front entrance in the Spring.

The Board sponsored two lively and very well attended adult book discussions through the New Hampshire Humanities Council in June and August which we hope to make a yearly tradition. So look for these discussions again this summer along with the Children's Summer Reading program.

We want to thank the taxpayers of Grantham for your continuing support of the Dunbar Free Library. Together we create a community and we think it is evident every day in the library. Stop in to see for yourself and think about joining the volunteers! We are very proud of the dedication of our devoted staff and grateful for the generosity of our volunteers and Friends of the Library, and appreciative of the support of the Town Office staff and the Selectmen. We all work together to make the library the valuable asset that it is to Grantham.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Donna Stamper--Don Noordsy--Judith Danzoll--Joy Lamont--Cindy Towle*

### *Mission Statement*

*The Dunbar Free Library is a free resource to all residents in the town of Grantham. We encourage and provide opportunities for lifelong learning and cultural enrichment for all families and individuals.*

*The Dunbar Free Library supports the expanding and diverse needs of the community by offering information for practical living related to work, school and personal life. We strive to maintain high interest and current materials along with the latest technological resources.*

*We serve as a community center that offers materials and programs for adults, young adults, and children.*



## DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY

This year Dunbar Free Library's report to the town needs to start by thanking the volunteers. Our staff is good, but there's no way we could have circulated 51,416 items (a 14%! increase over the year before) without our desk volunteers to check the majority of them in and out and along with our shelving volunteers to put them back on the shelves, as well! We couldn't have gotten the 1677 new and "new to us" books, 155 audio books, 234 movies (VHS and DVD) and a "bunch" of magazines ready for our 1,920 patrons to check them out without our processing volunteers covering, property stamping, bar-coding, labeling and otherwise making them ready for staff to catalog them. Library volunteers and Garden Club volunteers also work hard making our inside and outside look beautiful providing and watering hanging plants, potted flowers and maintaining the herb and Shakespeare gardens, as well as providing and changing the artwork on the walls. I didn't start tracking right away, but the "in-house" volunteers alone logged OVER 1,730 hours for 06/07-- that's averaging over 33 hours a week!

Now, about the staff: Joey Holmes, Bobbi Travis, Sandy Noordsy, Katrina McCurley, our newest addition (as of this September) Terri Heepe and Director Dawn Huston have been working hard, too. There's not enough space to put everything they do here but: Joey was the mainstay in providing the 905 inter-library loan books, audios, and videos that our patrons and book groups asked for from outside our library and the 781 titles we loaned to other New Hampshire libraries. Bobbi entered data and prepared cards for our 224 new patrons and cataloged at least 2/3 of our new materials. Sandy was primarily responsible for deleting the 925 items we got rid of for damage, age or non-use, and cataloging new materials as well. Katrina planned and executed most of the over 86 programs we had: from the Matthew Marula astronomy lecture to the kick-off for this year's Summer Reading Program "Wildlife Encounters" that brought 110 people to town hall to see Katrina hold a large snake! And what fun hearing all about King Arthur from "Sir Tom of Warwick". Many of these programs were funded by the next group I need to thank: The Friends of Dunbar Free Library.

The Friends "promote and enhance the services of Dunbar Free Library". That's a direct quote, but nothing less than the complete truth: the Friends funded almost all the activities and programs for children that we had last year, including the advertising costs, cost of supplies and fees and mileage for some performers. The Friends fund several of the passes that the library circulates-have you taken advantage of the Christa McAuliffe Planetarium pass that saves you up to \$26 dollars a visit? Make sure you check out the reciprocal museums you could visit on the Museum of New Hampshire History pass as you're planning your next vacation. Our pass to the Currier Museum of Art will still be good when they re-open to the public in (we hope) April, and the Friends are taking over the funding of our pass to the Fells. Please, if you haven't responded to their annual appeal letter yet, don't put it off any longer. If you didn't get a letter-stop by the library and pick up an envelope! And don't forget to get to Old Home Day early, before all the cookies at their Cookie walk fundraiser run out.

One new addition to the library doesn't even require that you come in. In February, we joined with a consortium of other New Hampshire libraries that provides downloadable audio books. Now, even in the wee hours of the morning when the library building isn't open, you can get something new to listen to-by going to the website [nh.lib.overdrive.com](http://nh.lib.overdrive.com) and downloading Patterson, Crusie, Grafton, Steel, Austen, Dickens, Greenspan, Obama, Halberstam and many others to your computer. There are children's titles by Paolini, Colfer, Pullman, Montgomery, and lots more. You do have to get in touch with the library for the code to put in front of your DFL library card number, but after that everything can be done anytime you like. The software to download is free and almost half of the titles can be

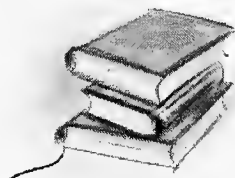
burned to CD. All can be transferred to (*non-MAC*) MP3 players or just played on your computer as you work on other things. There are NEVER any fees or overdue fines! The state purchasing agent of the consortium has committed to buying additional copies every time there are more than 4 holds on one item so you should never have to wait more than 4 weeks even for the most popular New York Times best-seller! Some titles are even part of a special collection that can be used by unlimited number of patrons at the same time-never any wait at all. This does NOT mean that we're closing for business. The hours remain Monday and Wednesday 9-5 and 6:30-8:30, Thursday 9-5, Friday 9-12 and Saturday 9-2. Call us or stop by for more information.

Another new feature at the library doesn't really belong to the year 06/07 but I have to announce: we have a new photocopier and it makes color copies. (Color is 50 cents). It's so cool! Our computers are regularly used at an average of 26 times a week, and that's not counting many "parking lot" uses of our wireless access. Please give us a call on your cell and leave a message or stop by when you've more time and we're open to log your use so our statistics can really reflect how much use this service is getting.

We love to hear from you. The people of Grantham are who make up the volunteers, the Friends, the patrons (*mostly*) and the staff (*mostly*). Even when we don't conduct surveys we love to get your feedback on how the library is serving the needs of the community so we can bask in the glory or try to make any needed improvements. The library certainly appreciates you.

Respectfully submitted,

*Dawn E. S. Huston, Librarian/Director*



## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Grantham continued working with the Upper Valley All Health Hazards Regions with a complete draft on December 10, 2007 for all 13 municipalities in Region IV. The plan contains three phases, each described within its own section, preparedness, response, and recovery. This is an ongoing effort and describes a designed state of affair as well as an area for continuous improvement.

We participated in the Upper Valley All Health Hazard Regions Phase II functional exercise on December 13, 2007. The exercise went well and we will continue to hold drills and functional exercises in the coming year.

It was a pleasure to work with the Eastman Health and Safety committee and setting up the Grantham Health Fair held at the Town Hall on November 3, 2007 working with the Lake Sunapee Region VNA and New London Hospital. A flu shot clinic and various displays of community services, and health screening and loads of health information were well received. I thank everyone who helped make this successful and we plan on doing it in the coming year again.

I'm sad to say I am very disappointed with the outcome of our efforts to get the Sullivan County Citizen Corps effort started which I talked about in last years' report. Five of us from Grantham completed the 2 day course and got certified, but after that meeting didn't follow through or had little participation. Maybe the problem is I just didn't put enough effort into it, but we'll see what happens in this coming year. It's hard to get volunteers to find time in the evenings or weekends with all the other demands on our lives; I believe you understand what I mean.


Working with Jeremy LaPlante, Grantham Field Representative from Concord we applied for a grant in November 2007 for a consultant to help us update our Emergency Management Plan with all the annexes we need to add. I can see where the plan will actually double in size once it is complete with all the updates from 2007. By the time you read this I hope the grant will have been approved.

I will be working with the people who signed up as volunteers at the Health Fair to help me in the event we have to activate our emergency operating center here at the Town Hall. This was a recommendation that came out of the December drill to provide free training to volunteers and responders within the region in the event of any real emergency it is the only way we can make our plan work.


I'd like to thank the Select Board, Town Administrator Tina Stearns, all the staff at the Town Hall and the Police Department who helped me this past year. This is what makes you proud to be a part of the community.

Respectfully,


Emergency Management Director  
F. Robert Osgood



Each morning sees some task begun,  
Each evening sees it close;  
Something attempted, something done,  
Has earned a night's repose.



--Henry Wadsworth Longfellow




FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Department had a very busy year with 156 calls in 2006-2007. This is an increase of 45 calls with vehicle accidents being our most common run. The winter season accounted for about 50% of our calls. *Please slow down during bad weather and always wear your seatbelt.* This year was again busy with hazardous condition calls with a large number of them involving power lines. If you encounter downed or arcing power lines, stay away from them as they are most often still energized. In 2006-2007 we had a large increase in smoke and carbon monoxide detector activations. Please remember to change your batteries on a regular basis. We had a fairly quiet year with fire related calls. Maintaining your heating appliance and chimney will help us keep these calls to a minimum.

The following is the breakdown for calls between July 2006 and June 2007:

9	Fires	July 2006 . . . . .	9	January 2007 . . .	23
48	Vehicle accidents	August . . . . .	9	February . . . . .	13
29	False alarm	September . . . . .	10	March . . . . .	17
2	Rescue	October . . . . .	13	April . . . . .	20
15	Service call	November . . . . .	9	May . . . . .	14
11	Medical assist	December . . . . .	15	June . . . . .	4
18	Carbon monoxide, smoke or odor call				
24	Hazardous condition				

At this time, it is my sad duty to report that Robert Guyette passed away on January 3, 2008. Bob had been our association treasurer for 25 years. His presence at meetings and functions will be greatly missed by all. I have personally had the pleasure of knowing Bob since he first joined the department in 1982 and will miss his smile, humor and dedication to the Grantham Fire Dept.



(left) Bob Guyette & Bob Seavey



(right) Mike Benoit & Bob Guyette

If you've ever considered volunteering to help your community the Fire department could be what you're looking for. Currently our membership is on the low side and new members are needed to help reduce the load on our very busy crew. Even if you don't wish to respond to calls we can probably find duties within your skill level. If you're interested in joining the Fire Department, please feel free to stop by the station and talk with a member. You may also call the station at 863-5710.

I would like to thank all the Fire/Fast/Aux. Members who have given many hours of their time to the



Fire Dept. Your commitment and dedication are Very Much Appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael Benoit, Fire Chief

Bob Guyette



Current active members and years of service:

Barry Sleath . . . . .	4	Michael Benoit, Chief . . . . .	30
Chris Palermo, Dep. Chief . . . . .	18	Michael Durkin . . . . .	5
David Beckley . . . . .	5	Michael Palermo . . . . .	19
Donald Barton . . . . .	35	Richard Covill . . . . .	4
Douglass Demers, Captain . . . . .	12	Bill Rigby . . . . .	2
James Goucher . . . . .	1	Kevin Lahaye . . . . .	1
Francis Mutney . . . . .	33	Robin Palermo . . . . .	15
James Palermo, Lieut. . . . .	19	Rosie Bard . . . . .	17
Jeremiah Fountain, Lieut. . . . .	12	Justin Hastings . . . . .	7
Wayne Small . . . . .	4		

*New Members:*

Tony Le Jeune, Melissa Hautaniemi, Leslie Pike and Chris Boyes

## GUYETTE IS HONORED



MARTY MCAULIFF/Staff

Robert Guyette receives a coat on Saturday evening in recognition of his dedication to the Grantham Fire Department. Guyette, the department's treasurer, also received a pin recognizing his 25 years of service.



### Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

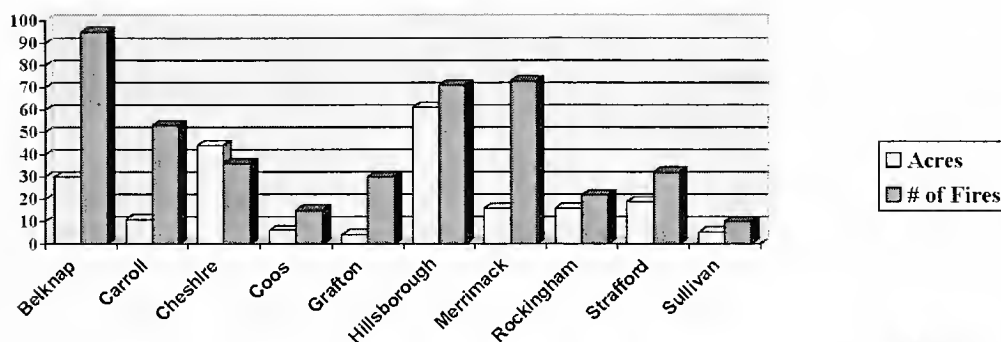
Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or [www.des.state.nh.us](http://www.des.state.nh.us) for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at [www.nhdf.org](http://www.nhdf.org).

Fire activity was very busy during the spring of the 2007, particularly late April into early May. As the forests and fields greened up in later May the fire danger decreased. However, a very dry late summer created very high fire danger again from August into September, with fire danger reaching very high on Labor Day weekend. Even with the dry conditions, the acreage burned was less than half that of 2006. The largest forest fire during the 2007 season burned approximately 26 acres on the side of Wantastiquet Mountain in Chesterfield during the month of May. Our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2007 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

#### 2007 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 8, 2007)  
(figures do not include fires on the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	30	95
Carroll	11	53
Cheshire	44	36
Coos	6	15
Grafton	4	30
Hillsborough	61	71
Merrimack	16	73
Rockingham	16	22
Strafford	19	32
Sullivan	5	10



#### CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

		Total Fires	Total Acres
Arson	5	2007 437	212
Debris	197	2006 500	473
Campfire	38	2005 546	174
Children	22	2004 482	147
Smoking	41	2003 374	100
Railroad	5		
Equipment	3		
Lightning	7		
Misc.*	119 (*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)		

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE





The Grantham F.A.S.T. (First Aid and Stabilization Team) is an all-volunteer, non-transport agency of state certified medical personnel who serve the town of Grantham and exist and function as part of the Grantham Fire Department.

We are happy to announce that the squad has a new face - so to speak. Thanks to the support provided by the town with a unanimous vote at the last Town Meeting, we have become the proud new owner of the ambulance you see pictured above. I have to add that it came just in time. Just two weeks prior to its arrival, the old rig suffered some severe electrical problems that forced us to take it out of service. The process of choosing and configuring this new purchase was a huge task that actually started back in November '06 and continued a full year right until delivery this past November. The process involved quite a few people but special recognition for service "above and beyond the call" is due to squad member Jay Fountain. Jay put a large amount of effort and personal time into this project and was central to making it the success that it was (not to mention having to put up with an inquisitive and demanding coordinator during the whole process).

Call Statistics: The Grantham F.A.S.T. responded to 169 calls from July 2006 through June 2007. That's an increase of over 20% from the previous year. Most of the increase came from general trauma calls more than doubling and motor vehicle accidents (mostly on the Interstate) increasing by almost 45%! On a good note, medical calls were down by about 15%. The following is a general break down of those calls.

Motor Vehicle Accident . . . . .	42	Trauma . . . . .	31
Medical - General . . . . .	39	SOB*/Choking . . . . .	8
Stroke/Seizure . . . . .	8	Cardiac . . . . .	7
Allergic Reaction . . . . .	1	Diabetic Emergency . . . . .	1
DOA . . . . .	1	Behavioral/Substance Abuse . . . . .	3
Lift Assist . . . . .	11	Support of Fire Dept. . . . .	6
Mutual Aid** . . . . .	3	Canceled in route . . . . .	8

\*SOB - Shortness of Breath.

\*\*Mutual Aid - calls to assist neighboring communities.

Our membership and squad officers are as follows:

Stuart Gillespie	EMT-I, Coordinator
Jeff Figley	EMT-I, Asst. Coordinator, Training Officer
Susan Figley	EMT-I, Secretary
Jane Chipman	EMT-I, Treasurer
Bruce Chipman	EMT-I
Jay Fountain	EMT-I
Kevin Lahaye	EMT-B
William Roy	EMT - Apprentice

We also have two new members who are just finishing up their EMT-B certification:

Tony Le Jeune	Lori Avery
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In addition, the following are part-time members who are currently out of the area as full time students but continue to maintain their full affiliation with the squad and still help out when they are in town.

Jill Davis	EMT-P
Morgan Figley	EMT-B

We were sorry to say goodbye to some members this past year. Sal Cassella was accepted to Medical School and will be joining his brother Dan (also a previous member to the squad) in Norfolk VA. Kristi O'Connor moved to Enfield and Nancy Banville moved down to Memphis TN.

Grantham F.A.S.T is an active participant in the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee State EMS Region I and the New London EMS district C-5. Our Medical Resource Hospital for providing Medical Control is New London Hospital and our primary patient transport agency is New London Ambulance Service.

If you have any interest joining or learning about the squad, we are always looking for new volunteers. Please feel free to speak to one of the members, visit our web site for contact information. You can get to it from the town's site <http://www.granthamnh.net/>. Call, E-mail one of us, or just stop by at one of our monthly meetings; generally held on the 3rd Sunday of each Month at 6:00pm. Keep in mind, no medical or first aid experience is necessary to become an EMT or First Responder.

We, as a squad, would like to thank the people of Grantham and our town officials for their continued support and wish you all a safe and healthy 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

*Stuart Gillespie, Coordinator*





## Southwestern Community Services

### *Our Thanks to Grantham*

Southwestern Community Services would like to thank the residents of Grantham for your continued support of our efforts to serve the needs of our local communities.

During the past year we have delivered a variety of direct services to 52 households comprised of 82 residents of the Town of Grantham. The value of these services totaled \$31,000. These were comprised of Head Start, Women Infants & Children (WIC), Fuel Assistance, Weatherization, Energy Assistance, Nutrition and Mediation.

It is due to the local support which we receive that we are able to conduct the outreach necessary to deliver these services. SCS welcomes any comments or inquiries and invites you to call and schedule a visit to our offices to learn more about what we are all about.

Thank you again for your continued cooperation.

*David W. Osgood*  
*Deputy Director*



## Community Alliance of Human Services

### *Family Services*

P.O. Box 188  
27 John Stark Highway  
Newport, NH 03773  
(603) 863-7708 ext. 412

On behalf of the Family Services Department of the Community Alliance of Human Services and the residents and families of Grantham, I ask for the Town of Grantham's financial support for programs that teach youth, hold them accountable for their actions, and challenge and inspire them to make better choices in their lives. These programs are available to residents and families of Grantham at low cost and include:

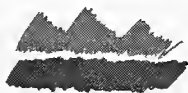
Sullivan County Youth & Adult Diversion Program; Sullivan County Community Service Program  
Y.E.S. (Youth Educational Shoplifting Program); S.T.A.R.D. (Students Talking About Responsible Decision)  
A.D.A.C. (Adolescents Dealing with Anger & Conflict); T.A.A.P. (Teen Alcohol Awareness Program)  
Tobacco Options

From January through September 2007, the Family Services Department has served 212 Sullivan County youth and their families. Two Grantham families received services from the Community Alliance of Human Services during this time period.

The Family Services Department would like to request \$1,000 for fiscal year 2008. We would like to thank the Town of Grantham, its citizens, employees, and officials for their support.

With kind regards,

*Gregory W. Vigue*  
*Family Services Coordinator*



Lake Sunapee Region VNA & HOSPICE

Lake Sunapee Region VNA & HOSPICE is grateful for the opportunity to provide home health, hospice and community services for residents of Grantham. Each year our focus is to provide the kinds of services that people in the community need in order to recover from an illness or injury, cope with chronic illnesses or deal with life events including births and deaths.

We invest in technology and training for staff to ensure the highest level of competence; and hire staff who go about their work with a high degree of caring and compassion. We continually seek feedback from patients, families, other health care providers and the community to help us improve our services.

During the past year, Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice increased our volume of services in all programs by more than 10 per cent. In addition, the following accomplishments will help the organization remain a provider of choice in this region:

- \* Achieved a patient satisfaction rate at the 94<sup>th</sup> percentile
- \* Eliminated all long-term debt except the building mortgage
- \* Improved nursing productivity by .5 visits per day
- \* Implemented an electronic newsletter for Friends of the VNA
- \* Hired a Hospice Facilities Coordinator to improve communication, satisfaction and consistency in our work with nursing homes and assisted living facilities
- \* Exceeded our annual fundraising goal by 16%
- \* Launched the "Good to Go" emergency planning initiative with staff, volunteers and trustees to encourage personal readiness in the event of an emergency of any kind. Without personal readiness, we will not be able to assist in the community.
- \* Initiated discussions with New London Hospital to contract for increased Hospice Medical
- \* Director time to improve staff support, communication with primary physicians and improve patient care
- \* Implemented specific care plans for certain chronic illnesses with associated patient education to improve communication and consistency with patients and help achieve positive patient goals

These actions and many more were undertaken so that Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice will be in the best position to provide the kind of care you expect and deserve.

More than 289 residents of Grantham received care and services through one or more programs of Lake Sunapee Region VNA and Hospice. Over 178 residents participated in our community clinics including influenza, pneumonia, foot care and blood pressure. Twelve adults attended support groups during the year, including caregiver, bereavement and parent-child support. In addition, 95 residents received 853 home care visits and 235 hospice visits. Families of hospice patients will receive bereavement support over the next year and beyond. Finally, over 3,427 hours of personal support services were provided for those needing long-term care at home.

The more than 120 staff and 100 active volunteers at LSRVNA are proud to provide care and services to promote a healthy community. Thank you to each and every one of you for the many ways in which you support Lake Sunapee Region VNA and HOSPICE.

Sincerely,

Andrea Steel  
President and CEO



## KEARSARGE AREA COUNCIL ON AGING, INC.

### CHAPIN SENIOR CENTER

Of the Kearsarge Area Council on Aging, Inc.  
37 Pleasant Street, PO Box 1263  
New London, NH 03257  
(603) 526-6368



Kearsarge Area Council on Aging, Inc., (COA) is a service organization for seniors which serves the nine towns of Andover, Danbury, Grantham, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sutton, Sunapee and Wilmot. In 2007 COA celebrated its 15th Anniversary! We continue to grow and services below show the increase in our participation levels and transportation provided to area seniors:

*628 members in 1996*  
*2,452 members in 2006*

*4,900 people participated in programs in 1996*  
*10,000 people participated in programs in 2006*

*4,000 volunteer hours contributed in 1996*  
*11,600 volunteer hours contributed in 2006*

*16,000 miles of Transportation were given in 1996*  
*60,000 miles of Transportation were given in 2006*



Our mobility lending program of walkers, canes, wheelchairs and other equipment is used almost daily. Programs of education, exercise, culture and sociability are available through the Chapin Senior Center every day. All these services continue to be free of charge to our members and we hope to keep it that way. It is through the generosity of the towns serviced, the business sponsors and individual contributions that we are able to do this.

Our annual budget of \$100,000 is possible only because of the excellent volunteer support that COA receives from hundreds of people in all towns. COA has a paid staff of one Executive Director and one part time Administrative Assistant. Volunteers do the rest, sharing their talents and time to COA.

COA is most grateful for all donations. Without them, we would not have the vibrant organization that we have. We look forward to seeing you at the Center.

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,  
Chairman Kay Butler





## West Central Behavioral Health

Member of  Dartmouth-Hitchcock Alliance

In FY 2007, West Central Behavioral Health received an appropriation of \$2,402 from the Town of Grantham. We are grateful for this appropriation that enabled us to provide \$54,301 of free or reduced cost mental and behavioral health services to residents of Grantham who are uninsured or underinsured. We are committed to making quality mental health services available regardless of ability to pay to all communities in our service area, and are asking the cities and town we serve to help us sustain that commitment to many of our most vulnerable neighbors. In order to achieve this goal we are requesting a FY 2008 appropriation of \$2,420.

West Central Behavioral Health is the NH designated Community Mental Health Center for Grantham, as well as Sullivan and Southern Grafton Counties. Our mission is: “to promote, preserve, and strengthen the mental health and quality of life for individuals and their communities through the delivery of integrated, comprehensive services.” Our consumers suffer from a range of disorders and illnesses: life threatening severe, chronic mental illness such as psychosis, schizophrenia, and bipolar disorder; all forms of addiction; as well as anxiety, depression, divorce or relationship related stress, and other impairing, but highly treatable, conditions. We work with all ages in outpatient clinics, homes, nursing homes, schools, and residential supported living programs, offering a broad variety of counseling, psychiatric services, case management, and emergency consultations.

Some of the services provided to residents of Grantham this year include:

16 children and their families received 500 therapy sessions at our outpatient clinics in Newport, Lebanon, and Claremont.

38 adult residents received 193 sessions of outpatient counseling for depression, anxiety, addictions, family issues, and other critical issues.

9 residents contacted our Emergency Services, available 24 hours, 7 days a week.

12 residents received 321 sessions of other services such as case management, medication management, child respite, and vocational supports.

We hope you will help us provide quality mental health care to all who need it.

Sincerely,

*Ronald J. Michaud*  
*Director of Community Relations and Development*



## GRANTHAM COMMUNITY CRISIS FUND

### “NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBOR”

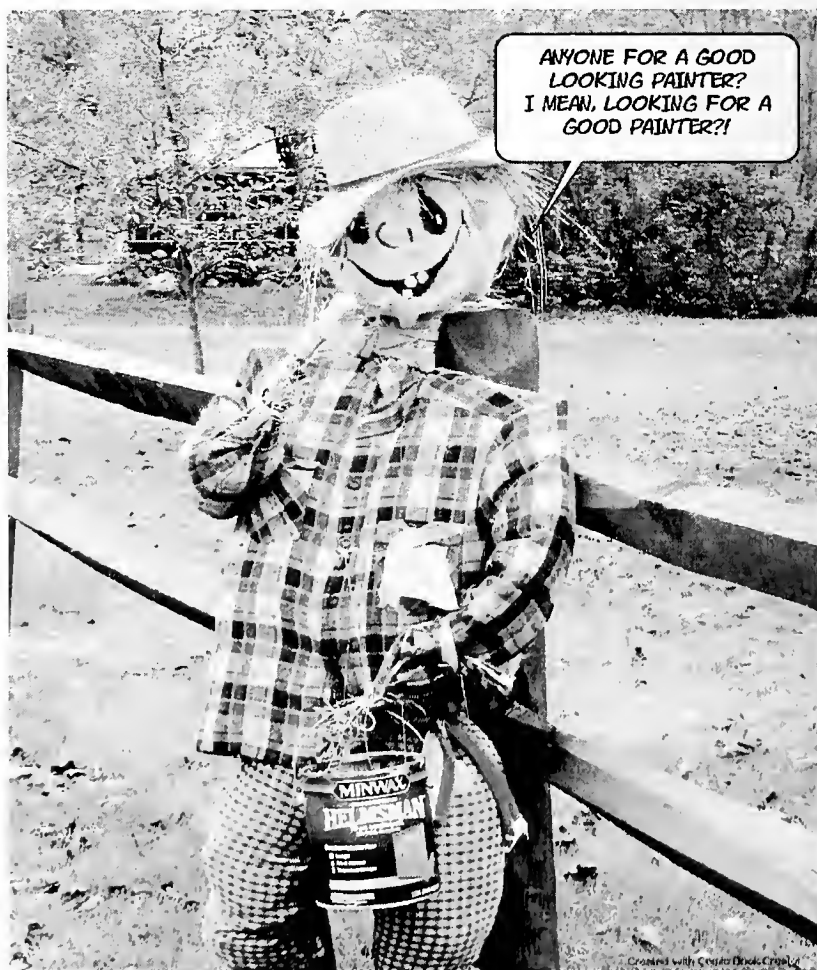
The goal of the Grantham Crisis Fund is to offer assistance in unforeseen crisis. We are not a long-term solution to economic woes, but a helping hand to rise above the problem. This help comes in the form of financial donations that we receive from the good townspeople of Grantham and the local organizations that chose to sponsor us. With their help we have been able to assist when we have been called upon.

As we all know one brief medical emergency can be very costly and when insurance is not an option, it can be overwhelming to a family in need. Most of our requests were for medical expenses and in amounts larger than we have ever seen. This year we deemed it necessary to solicit donations through a mailing sent to Grantham residents. A donation appeal letter was sent in November and, if by any chance, we missed you or if you have not yet been able to contribute, please consider a gift to our cause. We assist only in Grantham so the money you give stays in this community.

Please feel free to call for questions about assistance for you or for someone whom you may know that is in crisis. Our goal is to be as discreet as possible whenever we assist.

You may call any of our members at the following numbers:

Deborah Cheever	863-5946
Cindy Towle	863-3156
Arthur Lotz	863-9745
Terry Dorr	863-4028
Kris Widmann	863-7083







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## Recreation Department Report

It has been a busy year since my inception in April 2007, as director for the Grantham Recreation Department.

**SPRING SPORTS** - In late March over 80 children registered to play softball and baseball. Several teams were organized into the following: a majors team for both softball (15 players) and baseball (12), three minors teams, one for softball (15) and two for baseball (each with 13 players), a co-ed farm team (18) and a t-ball team (15 players). The softball and baseball teams enjoyed a competitive and fun filled season. The minor's baseball team, the Grantham Hawks, coached by Bill Blish, won the Kearsarge Valley Cal Ripken League tournament for minors (10U). Congratulations!

As part of the Cal Ripken/Babe Ruth league, by July 2008, it will be mandatory for coaches and possibly assistant coaches in this league to hold a coaching certification in either softball or baseball, gained through the Cal Ripken League Coaching Program online. This stipulation is incorporated into the Grantham Recreation Dept.'s requirement for coaches.

On April 28th, a Field Day was held at the GVS ball field. Over 30 volunteers including, the director and her family, coaches, parents and players helped improve and prepare the field with the use of spades, rakes, wheelbarrows, lawn tractors, and power sweepers. The infield was realigned and moved out from the backstop approximately 12 feet to better accommodate the right field foul line and the modular classroom that encroached on it. A new layer of jok sand was added to help build up the mound, infield and fill in holes. Several larger rocks were also removed. The Red Sox would have been envious!

A comprehensive master schedule of ball games and practices was implemented to better utilize the single ball field between 7 teams. Coaches were appreciative of this change as it allowed for more practice times and easier rescheduling of games.

Laurie Field, the OUR TOWN director, opened the "Doggie Dugout" providing players and fans with ball game fare to munch while watching their Grantham Hawks!

**SUMMER HAPPENINGS** - A new Grantham Recreation webpage was created to provide more information to the community through the Town of Grantham's website and offering the Recreation Department's mission, game schedules, game results, field and facilities directions, registration information and more.

June 3rd brought the introduction of the Rec. Dept.'s First Annual Bike-a-thon held in the G.V.S. parking lot with over 30 children participating. This first time event, raised funds to support summer programs provided by the Rec. Department. The cyclist with the most number of laps won a prize, and the honor went to Trevor Field with 85 laps around the school. The feedback from this event was great and many are looking forward to it again for next year. It was held in conjunction with OUR TOWN's bike rodeo.

June 25-29 proved to be a productive week for the first co-ed basketball camp held at the G.V.S. gym. Thirteen players signed up to participate in this camp designed to help with skill development, strategies for offensive and defensive play, teamwork, sportsmanship and sprinkled with fun. I was pleased to have several adult and youth volunteers that made this camp well presented and organized. I feel this will be a great program each year and will eventually try to incorporate this for each sport and all age levels.

Laurie Field and I met at the Rec. Building to inspect the current conditions of the facility and how to share the rooms available. With lots of elbow grease and help from Bob, we removed the old carpet, the countertop divider and a new coat of paint dressed up the old Police Station. The rooms are filled to capacity storing sports equipment and OUR TOWN's supplies and equipment.

July 4th....over twenty baseball and softball players and their coaches joined me to march in the Fourth of July parade in their uniforms and caps. We had our own private "train" for the parade which carried many of the younger players and parents across town. We regaled the appreciative crowd with our endless rendition of "Take Me out to the Ball Game", bringing many smiles and cheers. Our group won a "Spirit" award! Great job!

**FALL SPORTS** - The Grantham Recreation Dept. joined the Merrimack Valley Soccer League based in Henniker. It is comprised of approximately 17 towns ranging from the areas near Concord and Nashua to the Kearsarge Valley areas of Sunapee, Bradford, Warner, and more. This league offers a very comprehensive program which I have incorporated for our rec. dept. to offer to players from kindergarten to fourth grade. Kindergartners enjoy a program where they will be taught the basic skills they will need in future years. 1st and 2nd graders have a fun program to introduce them to competitive soccer and allow them to use and further develop their skills. The 3rd/4th grade teams will play a competitive season in the Merrimack Valley League against nearby towns.

I was not able to establish a program for the 5/6th grade students primarily due to the lack of a proper field (current playground field is too small) and not knowing how many students would register to play. The Merrimack Valley Soccer League required a commitment by July 30th and I did not feel comfortable committing a team that I was not sure would exist and expecting players to travel to the towns of Loudon, Henniker, Hillsboro and others without a prior consensus from the parents.

There were approximately 80 registrations; comprising a team of kindergarten, three co-ed first/second grade teams and two co-ed third/forth grade teams. The players had great fun this fall.

The third/fourth grade teams reorganized after their regular season to form two teams creating one girls team and one boy's team to compete at the New London Outing Club's Soccer Jamboree on October 20th. The boy's team came close to taking the "championship" by two points resulting in their taking SECOND PLACE in this jamboree! There was much positive feedback from parents and coaches alike on a great day of soccer!

I wanted to thank Jennifer Chickering, Laura Turner and Justin Bitler for their great support with soccer. They were invaluable volunteers and provided the motivation to join the MVSL. Thank you to the parents who supported this soccer program with their dedication to coaching and refereeing.

**WINTER PROGRAMS** - Basketball was offered to all grades K-6, this year. There were approximately 70 children participating. New jerseys in the school colors of maroon and gold were ordered for the third/fourth and fifth/sixth grade teams for both boys and girls. With the tremendous help of great volunteer coaches and parents, this winter program was considered a success. An events program was also provided to fans to help recognize their player or cheerleader and was offered as an opportunity for parents or local businesses to advertise on the reverse. This was well accepted and utilized.

A new Cheerleading program is now offered by the Recreation Department for children in grades 3-6 boasting a team of approximately 17 girls ready to cheer our basketball players on! A fundraising event was held on October 27 at the G.V.S. cafeteria during the OUR TOWN Haunted Pumpkin Festival. The Recreation Dept. served food during this event to raise monies to defray the cost of uniforms. Maribeth Hagan of Dancers, Inc. choreographed the routines for the cheerleaders with help from Julie Laramie, Samantha Bessette and Kaleigh Cunningham. There has been tremendous positive feedback received about this program.

**Miscellaneous Information** - Grantham Recreation softball is played through the Connecticut Valley Softball League, consisting of Newport, Sunapee and Grantham. In an effort to be a better organized and productive league, new officers were elected and the league re-structured. The towns of Sunapee, Grantham and Newport make up this league and so the Recreation Directors of Sunapee (Scott Blewitt) and Grantham (Marsha Googins) along with Ed Lucas of Newport as V.P.'s for this league. We hold monthly meetings and are currently creating by-laws to guide this league.

Missy Walla, from the G.V.S. Playground Committee organized the purchase of a new protective pad with the G.V.S. Gold Hawk logo on it for the backstop. It measures 3 feet by 10 feet and will be hung at optimal height for player safety and pitcher privacy. This pad will be hung during the spring sports season. The dugouts at the ball field received a well needed coat of stain in the school colors of maroon and gold, compliments of K.C. Shepherd. A freshly painted board with the "Gold Hawks" logo originally created by Andrew Googins was added to the Recreation Dept. shed at the field and new bleachers were purchased by the GVS Playground Committee who also took charge of replacing poor floorboards in the dugouts. The Athletic Department gratefully appreciates the help from the Playground Committee.

I am delighted with my role as director of this department and couldn't have had such a successful year if it wasn't for the guidance of Tina Stearns and generous and endless support from the parents, coaches and volunteers that are devoted to helping kids experience the fun in sports. The unwavering support from my family also made the dedication this job demands much easier.

I would also like to thank Laurie Field, Lorie McClory and her family and Julie Laramie and her family for their support and help throughout this year.

Respectfully submitted by

Marsha Googins  
Director, Grantham Recreation Dept., Athletics





Shaking off the last of the New Year's Eve confetti makes me glad to have escaped the holiday busyness. January allows a small lull in time to regroup and reenergize. A whirlwind of community events and activities has been produced this past year, twenty two to be exact. In brief, I will mention each for those who may not be aware of what "Our Town" does. But more importantly the events here are a page in Grantham's history. Regardless of all the statistical figures, buildings, and businesses, what makes a town is it's people.

The **"Our Town" newsletter** was produced the first of the year. This once of month paper is a tool for advertising Our Town events and a place to show off Grantham residents enjoying their community. The paper is distributed through the students at the Grantham Village School; you can also print a copy off of the town of Grantham's web site.

**Three after school winter crafts:** Build a bird feeder, build a kite and decorate a crown with the Dunbar Free Library. All were very well attended.

**The Soup Supper, Mother's Day Breakfast, and the ever popular Turkey Dinner.** Our Town meals serve as fund raisers, as well as events, so grab your friends, enjoy some food, good conversation and continue to support us with your presence.

**O'Halloran's Quest** sponsored by Mark O'Halloran of Shamrock Homes, was an adventure through town where by answering 20 questions about Grantham you had a chance at winning a pot of gold worth \$100.00. The drawing was held on St. Patrick's day and was won by the family of Maddie and Clare Brown.



**The Easter Egg Hunt** was once again held indoors at the Grantham Village School



due to the weather. Thanks to the employees at Sugar River Savings Bank all 2500 eggs were stuffed with goodies. Each year we have four golden eggs shuffled in the mass egg scramble in which the recipient wins a basket of goods. And, of course, there were visits and photo opportunities with the Easter Bunny. A big thank you to Zachary Wilson for volunteering to help make the day special for our young guests.

**The American Flags**, with the extra effort of Jodie Jones-Poljacik became a reality this year. The flags were purchased by the Town of Grantham and the Grantham Area Chamber of Commerce. Brian and Jodie Jones-Poljacik, Dan and Karen

Foster, and myself with my husband Dan were responsible for placing them. A big thank you to John Murphy, resident of Grantham and employee of the phone company, who removed the flags after Labor Day. Each year the flags will hang from Memorial Day until Labor Day.

The **Bike Rodeo** was held in June in the parking lot at the Grantham Village School. A nice crowd showed out for the day of safety and fun. Thank you to our local police department (especially Walt) and volunteers who helped make the day successful. A drawing for a free bike was won by Jacob Tyler.

**Civil War Living History Night** took place in June on the lawn of the school. The evening event,

where you could stomp through the grounds of a civil war camp was attended by a crowd of about 400.

Food was served up by Our Town which included ribs with potato salad. Fiddle music twanged out over the boom of cannon fire, and Abe Lincoln graced the crowd with the Gettysburg Address. Because of the contributions made by local businesses this event was free to the public. Thank you Grantham.

The baseball game concession stand fondly thought of as the "**doggie dugout**" was in full force for most of the season, all though it's presence was more of a convenience to the crowd rather than a money making adventure. A big thank you to Gay Sabin for helping at the stand.

**Old Home Day** - Wow!!! what a parade we had, simply spectacular for a small town, it was a moment of community spirit that all should be proud of. Herm Barton, once again, road along as Grantham's oldest native. The dog show was marvelous, always popular with the crowd are our hosts Paula Dorr and Cindy Towle. Martha Menard had her hands full with the addition of the climbing wall. The strong man bell run by Nora Tilton and the train proved to be entertaining as well. Returning again this year was the antique display and craft fair, Ozzie's Country Band, the 3 legged race, sack race, rubber ducky race, and pie eating contest. Childrens games were held at one end, as a sheep dog herding demo was happening at another. Food was everywhere pizza by the Chamber Of Commerce, fried dough, ice-cream, french fries, sausage, burgers, and dogs. Thank you Tina Stearns, Gay Sabin, Tanya McIntire and Paul Greeley for whipping up the food for "Our Town." Thank you to everyone that volunteered. Special thanks to Warren Kimball, Andy Anderson, Jodie Jones-Poljacik, Missy Walla, Cindy Towle and Don Gobin for chairing the event. Old Home Day entertained over 1000.



**Craft in the Park** happened every Wednesday during the summer at the school playground. The program was attended by approximately 40 children a week. Our Town provided a new make and take craft each week free of charge, due to a donation by Top Coat Paving. A free BBQ, feeding about 60, was provided at the end of the summer for those who came to any one of our crafts.



**The Town Wide Yard Sale** - Grantham held 34 sales on that very hot September afternoon. Thanks to the generosity of Dennis and Connie Howard 15 sales were set up in their field, the rest were found through out town with the help of a map. If you missed your opportunity to buy or sell look for us next year.

**The Scarecrows** - October brings the adornment of straw people along Route 10. This late September after school craft project was attended by a mob of anxious students and parents teaming up to dress our fall visitors. Grantham received much attention this year from local newspapers and travelers. We have become some what of a tourist attraction as our temporary friends are sure to slow down the traffic. Just wait until next year. A big thanks to my husband Dan and Pat Fountain who helped place them in town.



The **Haunted Pumpkin Festival** again drew in over 200 goblins. The Athletics Department Director Marsha Googins ran our haunted meal counter. Prizes were awarded to best costumes and best pumpkin carving. A huge thank you to many youth and adult volunteers that helped to make this event run smoothly, without you it would be impossible.



### **Christmas Decorations, Caroling and Tree**

**Lighting** all happened the Sunday after Thanksgiving. After cocoa and donuts a small portion of the Eastmanaires led us in caroling by the light of candles. A drawing was held for the honor of plugging in the tree. Brady Filiault's name was drawn making Brady, who is 6 years old the first person to officially light the town tree. A huge thank you to the fire department for the use of their building for warming up and refreshments, and also to Jodie Jones

-Poljacik and Jennifer Filiault for their help in organizing.



**160 Gingerbread men** left our cookie table at a Yankee Barn Christmas on Dec. 1st. Thank you Missy Walla for all your help in making this event successful. Look for this free event again next year.

**Breakfast with Santa** is always a wonderful turn out, 270 plates left our pancake table. This year we brought back the food drive and delivered 38 bags to the Newport Food pantry. Thanks again to the Grantham Area Chamber of Commerce for providing us with a fabulous Saint Nick.

The **New Years' Eve** family dance party entertained about 125 people with all the party fair including a make your own ice-cream sundae bar. This year included the crowning of a King and Queen of the New Year. At midnight, rather 7:45, balloons fell, Auld Lang Syne rang out and a new year began.



**Volunteers** - There are some that affectionately dub "Our Town" events as a "Field Family Function" as my family tends to volunteer with setting up, cleaning up, and working at nearly every event I put on. I think maybe they secretly do that so I'm easier to live with, regardless, I thank them as their help has sustained me. Respectfully they are: Dan, Theresa, Reggie, Mary, David, Danielle, Garrett, Trevor and Andrea Field. The Walla family is another one of my assets that has bolstered many events, so I thank Jeff, Missy, and Jeremy Walla for all they do for our community. I also would like to thank the more than 20 youth volunteers who have helped at one or more events this year. These young people between the age of 10 and 15 have been a joy and an asset to our town.

*Respectfully  
submitted,*

*Laurie Field,  
Activities Director*



*For me, sitting still is harder  
than any kind of work.*

*--Annie Oakley*



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Executive Councilor  
District One

December 2006

107 North Main Street  
State House Rm 207  
Concord, NH 03301

### Report to the People of District One By Raymond S. Burton, Executive Councilor

It is a pleasure to serve this large northern district of 98 towns, 4 cities, and 5 counties with a population of 247,000 people. The Executive Council is at the top of your Executive Branch of NH State Government. The Governor and Executive Council appoint 352 Commissions and Directors who administer NH law and budget as prescribed by the NH House and Senate.

2008 is the year to keep an eye on and follow the progress of the NH Transportation Plan. The recommended projects in the highway and bridge plan can be accomplished with existing revenue from the state gasoline tax, bonds and matching federal funds. The Executive Council held public hearings on the projects throughout the state and forwarded their recommendations to Governor Lynch. Governor Lynch will review our recommendations and then submit his recommended plan to the NH House and Senate by January 15th, 2008. Without any new revenues for additional projects we will be lucky to maintain the existing state highway and bridge system. If more work is desired than new revenues will have to be voted by the Members of the House and Senate and signed by the Governor. Contact your local legislators-House and Senate. Find them by going to [www.nh.gov](http://www.nh.gov)



Towns in Council District #1

#### CARROLL COUNTY:

Albany, Bartlett, Chatham, Conway, Eaton, Effingham, Freedom, Hart's Loc., Jackson, Madison, Moultonborough, Ossipee, Sandwich, Tamworth, Tuftonboro, Wakefield, Wolfeboro

#### GRAFTON COUNTY:

Alexandria, Ashland, Bath, Benton, Bethlehem, Bridgewater, Bristol, Campton, Canaan, Dorchester, Easton, Ellsworth, Epsfield, Franconia, Grafton, Groton, Hanover, Haverhill, Hebron, Holderness, Landaff, Lebanon, Lincoln, Lisbon, Livermore, Littleton, Lyman, Lyme, Monroe, Orange, Orford, Piermont, Plymouth, Rumney, Sugar Hill, Thornton, Warren, Waterville, Valley, Wentworth, Woodstock

#### BELKNAP COUNTY:

Alton, Belmont, Center Harbor, Gilford, Laconia, Meredith, New Hampton, Sanbornton, Tilton

#### COOS COUNTY:

Berlin, Carroll, Clarksville, Colebrook, Columbia, Dalton, Dixville, Dummer, Errol, Gorham, Jefferson, Lancaster, Milan, Millsfield, Northumberland, Pittsburg, Randolph, Shelburne, Stewartstown, Stark, Stratford, Whitefield

This large northern district needs more people on state mandated volunteer boards and commissions. Send your letter of interest and resume to my office, or to Kathy Goode, Director of Appointments/Liaison to the Council, Governor's Office, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301. Tel. (603) 271-2121. To find out what openings are available and to see a list of boards, visit the NH Secretary of State website at: [www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm](http://www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm).

I have available from my office informational items about the NH Executive Council, NH Constitution, NH Tourist Map, 2007 Consumer Handbook, and District Maps. If you would like to receive my Monday morning report by e-mail please send an e-mail address to [rburton@nh.gov](mailto:rburton@nh.gov).

It is an honor to continue to serve you now in my now 30 years as a public servant. Contact my office anytime about your ideas, concerns and problems with state government. I respond to all inquires and challenges.

Sincerely,

#### SULLIVAN COUNTY:

Charlestown, Claremont, Cornish, Croydon, Grantham, Newport, Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee



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I am so pleased to serve you as your State Senator, and I write to report from the New Hampshire Senate on important state issues affecting you, as residents of Grantham.

Last session, I concentrated on several key issues important to the citizens of New Hampshire: among them were helping New Hampshire's working families by increasing the minimum wage; protecting New Hampshire citizens' health by implementing a smoking ban in restaurants and bars, increasing access to health care by supporting expanded eligibility to health insurance, protecting New Hampshire's special places and open spaces by increasing funding of the Land and Heritage Investment Program, adopting foreclosure protections for consumers, and reducing the high school dropout rate by ensuring attendance to age 18.

Below is a detailed account of the state aid for Grantham:

FY 2007 State Aid to Grantham	
<i>Type of Aid</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Special Education	\$ 7,708
School Building Aid	\$ 40,612
School Breakfast	\$ 405
School Lunch	\$ 923
Adequate Education	\$ 1,235,764*
Landfill Closure	\$ 12,159
Meals & Rooms Distribution	\$ 94,358
Revenue Sharing	\$ 10,843
Retirement Contribution - Police & Fire	\$ 9,665**
Highway Block Grant	\$ 50,371
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,462,808</b>

\*This amount was raised by Grantham taxpayers and stayed in Grantham.

\*\*Represents the state's payment to the NH Retirement System for 35% of Grantham's employer share of police & fire retirement contributions.

As a member of Senate Public and Municipal Affairs Committee, Transportation and Interstate Cooperation Committee, and Chairman of both Election Law and Internal Affairs Committee, and the Executive Departments and Administration Committee, I will be very busy. I would be happy to hear from you on any issues of concern you may have. This session, I will continue to concentrate on issues important to the citizens of New Hampshire: costing an adequate education, implementing kindergarten in the communities that don't yet offer it, strengthening our laws to improve internet safety for our children, protecting the future of the New Hampshire Retirement System and revisiting highway funding and our statewide highway infrastructure. I have also been elected chair of the newly formed New Hampshire Rail Transit Authority which is committed to beginning the process of ensuring commuter rail to connect Boston to Nashua to Manchester with the hopes of extending it further.

If you wish to contact me about these or any other matters I might help you with, please call me at (603) 271-2642, or e-mail me at [peter.burling@leg.state.nh.us](mailto:peter.burling@leg.state.nh.us).



# Annual Report Grantham Village School SAU #75

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*For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007*

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## **OFFICERS & PERSONNEL OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Carl Hanson, *Moderator*

Heather Grohbrugge, *Treasurer*

Brenda Molloy, *School District Clerk*

Margaret A. Sullivan, *Superintendent*

Kelly Cornish, *SAU Administrative Assistant*

Maren Ardell, *Special Education Director*

Kurt Gergler, *Principal*

Nora Tilton, *GVS Administrative Assistant*

## **SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS**

Cynthia Chew, *Chair*

Leslie Brown, *Vice Chair*

Laurie Hanks, *Secretary*

Jeffrey Walla

Douglas Caffrey

## APPROVED RULES FOR 2007

### GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

1. No article may be brought up for reconsideration unless it is brought up immediately after the vote has been determined and announced.
2. Passing over an article is not in the spirit of the meeting and will be ruled out of order.
3. Registered voters will be seated on the main floor and in the center of the bleachers. Nonvoters will be seated in side sections of the bleachers. Nonvoters who are not officers of the school district may be allowed to address the meeting only if the meeting votes to permit it.
4. Whenever a voter wished to speak, he or she will address the moderator and identify herself or himself.
5. The moderator will conduct a secret "yes-no" ballot when five voters make a written request prior to voice or division vote on any article open for discussion. (RSA 41:4a)
6. The moderator will take a secret "yes-no" ballot when seven or more voters question any nonballot vote immediately after the vote is declared, and before any other business is conducted. (RSA 40:4b)
7. All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to vote of the amendment.

<b>Grantham School Board Members</b>	Cynthia Chew (chair) PO Box 1673, Grantham, NH 863-5759 rrchew@valley.net Term Expires 2008
Leslie Brown PO Box 50, Grantham, NH 863-7586 brownlesa@gmail.com Term Expires 2009	Laurie Hanks PO Box 137, Grantham, NH 863-1239 lfhanks@comcast.net Term Expires 2009
Jeff Walla 201 Walker Road, Grantham, NH 863-4974 jwalla@bdmp.net Term Expires 2010	Doug Caffrey 154 Meadowbrook Rd, Grantham, NH 863-6523 decaffrey@comcast.net Term Expires 2008

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

January 15, 2008

Dear Grantham Residents:

It is a distinct pleasure to be serving in the role of superintendent of the Grantham School District. I began July 1, 2007, and as I reflect on the past seven months, it has been an exciting time of much progress. We are moving ahead by challenging ourselves to do better with everything we do, every day. The issues of student performance, school safety, funding and building concerns continue to be at the forefront of our efforts and are incorporated into the goals of the Grantham School Board, where we strive to be a student centered school district, where no child is left behind. I am thrilled by the spirit of cooperation and dedication to the Grantham students, evident throughout the district.

Along with myself, Maren Ardell joins us as Special Education Director. Kurt Gergler also joins us at the SAU as principal of Grantham Village School. Kurt comes to us from a position of elementary school principal in Claremont, and Maren comes to us from the position as Special Education Director in Claremont, and I bring 10 years experience as Superintendent, with six years as high school assistant principal and principal, three years as NH/DOE Curriculum Specialist in Language Arts/English, and many years teaching high school English.

We also have some new additions at GVS. Paula Ceranowicz as 5th grade teacher, Debbie Freyman as Special Educator, Mary Boyea as Occupational Therapy Assistant, Jennifer Klesch as Reading Interventionist and Special Educator. Linda Becker joins us as School Secretary, Celina Lariviere as Para Educator, Michael Palermo as Custodian, and Nancy Blanchard in Food Service.

These past few months have been very exciting working with the building committee, the negotiating committee, and the School Board. Our conversations have been full of hope and planning for the future. Additionally, I am proud of the great strides our school district is making in curriculum and instruction. We are actively working to support all our students with an expanded reading program, supporting continuous improvement for each student. We are also planning to pilot a new math program to rigorously raise standards. Overall our students are doing very well, and they are continually improving, as seen in the NH Assessment score. A small population did not score as well in reading, but our expanding reading program is designed to target that concern as well.

And, in closing, I would like to thank all of you, community and staff, who have made a difference in the lives of our students. Of course, challenges continue to lie ahead as we look at building concerns and continue to update curriculum and instruction to provide a quality education for each student as he/she enters the world beyond GVS. I am personally very proud to be associated with the Grantham School District.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Margaret A. Sullivan*  
*Superintendent*



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

January 2008

*The mission of the Grantham Village School, in partnership with the people of Grantham, is to provide excellence in education. Together we mentor our students to become critical thinkers, creative learners and independent problem solvers. We aspire to nurture in each student a life long love of learning. As competent, responsible, and caring citizens, our students will know and apply the skills necessary to make positive contributions within a diverse global society.*

I had the opportunity to read the Grantham Village School Mission Statement on my first day as GVS Principal back in July 2007. The laminated copy still hangs on my wall. Over the last six months I have come to realize that this mission statement does, indeed, live at GVS. I recognize features of the statement:

**Partnership with the Community:** Parent nights, Family Fun events, concerts, conferences, and Parent Information Night were all well-attended. The GPTG and a host of other parent and community volunteers move mountains for our school through work on the grounds, in the classrooms, and at evening and weekend events. The Grantham Police Department, Fire Department, road crews, and Town Office have supported our school through, among other things, presence at events, helping with the grounds, and moving the emergency footbridge forward.



**Mentoring our Students:** Take a short walk around our school and you will see adults meeting with small groups of students, students choosing to gain extra help from a teacher, teachers working with a student at their desk, and staff members leading off-hours activities such as clubs, physical education activities, sports, and musical groups. Mentoring is visible in all shapes and sizes!



**Critical Thinkers, Creative Learners, and Independent Problem Solvers:** In education we help



children discover knowledge, and sometimes we just tell them the information. In the end, we have the students show what they know. At GVS, I have seen tests, quizzes, papers, worksheets, paintings, sculptures, digital slide shows, and dioramas (to name a few) as artifacts of what our children have learned. The creativity shown in this student work demonstrates critical thinking and independent problem solving.

**Life Long Love of Learning:** The quickest way to create love of learning in a child is to show enthusiasm for teaching. This excitement for education is evident at GVS, and the children's love of learning is obvious when I ask them to describe work they have completed. It has been such a treat to meet with children as they share their writings, see children present something they have learned, and to experience the energy around the annual October Poetry Contest.

As Grantham Village School lives the mission, we can only expect that our students will exit our doors and "make positive contributions within a diverse global society."

Our 243 students are educated and our building is supported by 47 new and returning, experienced and dedicated staff members. Our staff is collegial, supportive, communicative, upbeat, and child oriented. There have been



many staffing changes in 2007. We have welcomed Linda Becker (Secretary), Nancy Blanchard (Food Service), Mary Boyea (Occupational Therapy Assistant), Paula Ceranowicz (Fifth Grade Teacher), Cassie Chase (Behavior Interventionist), Debbie Freyman (Special Educator), Jennifer Klesch (Reading Interventionist and Special Educator), Celina Lariviere (Paraeducator), and Michael Palermo (Custodian).

Over the last few years the staff has worked on four major curricula: language arts, math, science, and social studies. As of this writing we have a new written curriculum for each area, and we are starting to dig deeper in the language arts area.

We are fortunate to exist in a town where high quality instruction and a broad approach to education are supported. Our students participate in a variety of experiences beyond the expected school experiences. We host the Four Winds science exploration program in our school. We travel to participate in programs sponsored by the Hood Museum of Art and Nature's Classroom. Our children are involved with the Geography Bee, the Spelling Bee, Destination Imagination, Hand Bells, Guitar Club, Band, Chorus, and a variety of physical education extension activities such as Cup Stacking, the Walking Program, and Intramurals.

Perhaps the most impressive feature of Grantham Village School is the positive support of our parents and community members. We have wonderful volunteers, our parent group is very active, our events are well-attended, and when we ask for help community members turn out in great numbers.

As we look into the future, we envision a school that improves every year, serves a population that increases in both numbers and diversity, and continues to live up to the "village" part of our name. I am very pleased to be a part of the Grantham Village School community. Feel free to stop in for a visit!

Respectfully Submitted,

Kurt Gergler  
Principal



Nora Tilton, Administrative Assistant  
Linda Becker, Secretary  
Kurt Gergler, Principal

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SAU Personnel			
<b>Margaret A. Sullivan</b>	<b>Superintendent</b>	<b>CAGS</b>	<b>Dartmouth College</b>
Maren Ardell	Special Ed. Director	M. Ed.	Antioch
Kelly Cornish	Administrative Assistant		Enrolled at Lebanon College
GVS Personnel			
Mr. Scott Allaire	Grade 4 Teacher	B.A.	Marietta College/UVT1
Mrs. Jackie Atherley	Kindergarten Teacher	M.A.	Plymouth State University
Mrs. Debra Bailey	Food Service		
Mrs. Heidi Bartlett	Kindergarten Teacher	B.S.	Wheelock College
Ms. Deebee Bechta-Piedmont	Grade 5 Teacher	M.A.	Sunny-Albany
Mrs. Linda Becker	School Secretary	B.S.	KSC
Mrs. Nancy Blanchard	Food Service		
Mrs. Linda Bohrer	Paraprofessional		
Mrs. Mary Boyea	COTA	Assoc.	NH Technical College
Mrs. Denise Buckman	Grade 3 Teacher	M. Ed	Plymouth State College
Ms. Paula Ceranowicz	Grade 5 Teacher	M.A.	Antioch of NE
Miss Cassie Chase	Behavioral Interventionist	B.A.	UNH
Mrs. Wanda Clark	Music Teacher	B. Mus	Keene State College
Mrs. Diana Conine	Media Specialist	B.A.	UNH
Mrs. Amelia Cormier	Art Teacher	B.A.	UNH
Mr. Rob Crutchfield	Grade 3 Teacher	B.A.	UNH
Mr. Roger Dontonville	PE Teacher	M. Ed.	Temple University
Ms. Nancy Edgar-Howard	Reading Specialist		
Mrs. Tara Evans	Grade 6 Teacher	M. Ed.	UNH
Mrs. Laurie Field	Paraprofessional	A.A.S.	Mohawk Valley Comm. College
Ms. Debra Freyman	Special Education Teacher	B.S.	Florida State University
Mr. Kevin Gianini	Grade 4/5 Teacher	B.A.	Southern Connecticut
<b>Mr. Kurt Gergler</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Ed. S.</b>	<b>James Madison University</b>
Mrs. Marsha Googins	Paraprofessional	Assoc.	University of Maine @ Augusta
Mrs. Anna Harwood	Grade 2 Teacher	B: Mus	University of Sheffield
Mrs. Andrea Head	Paraprofessional	B.A.	Rutgers University
Ms. Kim Johnson	Paraprofessional	B.A.	University of San Diego
Ms. Jennifer Klesch	Reading Interventionist	M.A.	Baldwin-Wallace College
Ms. Celina Lariviere	Paraprofessional	Assoc.	Vt College of Norwich University
Mrs. Kristen LaVanway	Nurse	BSN	Colby Sawyer College
Mrs. Linda Malnati	Paraprofessional		
Mrs. Karen Moon	Paraprofessional	BSN	Grand Valley State University
Mrs. Jeanne Mouser	Grade 1 Teacher	B.A.	Castleton State College
Mrs. Deloris Netzbund	Guidance Counselor	M.A.	New York University
Mr. Michael Palermo	Custodian		
Mr. Jim Palermo	Maintenance		
Mrs. Kathy Pomer	ESOL	M.A.	Tufts University
Mr. Oliver Renehan	Custodian		
Mrs. Mary Richard	Paraprofessional	Assoc.	University of Maine @ Farmington
Mrs. Gay Sabin	Grade 6 Teacher	CAGS	American International College
Ms. Jennifer Stark	Grade 1 Teacher	B.A.	Keene State College
Mrs. Wilma Stearns	Food Service		
Mrs. Nora Tilton	Administrative Assistant	Assoc.	Becher College
Mrs. Lynn Wallace	Grade 2 Teacher	B.S.	Wheelock College
Mrs. Pam Waltzer	Instrumental Music	B.S.	SUNY of Potsdam NY

**Congratulations to the following Grantham students who graduated from  
Lebanon High School in June 2007!**

Beal, Alexa W  
Daigle, Kristen B  
Hanson, Emily E  
Masterson, Nathan  
O'Brien, Shannon R  
Schmidt, Lianne H  
Stitt, Alexander  
Webber, Johanna C

Chaput, David P  
Durkee, Lindsay A  
Hutchins, Travis W  
Mayo, Brenden  
Rose, Brittany S  
Sekula, Nicholas J  
Sullivan, Aileen W  
Wells-Bogue, Grace W

Congdon, Jonathan M  
Emerson, Joshua R  
Lamont, Ryan M  
Montmagny, Elizabeth A  
Russell, Emily D  
Smith, Justin  
Valcourt, Elizabeth J  
Willis, Heather M



***"It's choice - not chance - that determines your destiny."***

*--Jean Nidetch*

## GRANTHAM TUITION STUDENTS

### **7th Grade**

Anderson, Taylor  
Beaulieu, Zachary  
Becker, Benjamin  
Blike, Geoffrey  
Buckman, Pheobe  
Caffrey, Mary  
Cartier, Nikayla  
Collier, Alisabeth  
Densmore, Justin  
Googins, Andrew  
Goucher, Ashley  
Greeley, Connor  
Guerin, Vincent  
Hagan, Sara  
Head, Alex  
Hogsett, Mary  
Holdowsky, Liane  
Hunt, John  
Jones, Haley  
Keat, Moriah  
Marcano, Mariana  
Martin, Daniel  
McClory, Erin  
Morgan, Brooke  
Nichols Jr., Bradley  
Rose, Darryl  
Schmidt, Colette  
Walker, Kelsey  
Wilson, Zachary

### **8th Grade**

Arnold, Jennifer  
Bessette, Zachary  
Broughton, Emily  
Chesnut, John  
Connally, John  
Cyphers, Michael  
Dziegielewski, Cody  
Gobin, Elisabeth  
Goucher, Alyssa  
Kretowicz, Katelyn  
Lessard, Katrina  
Malnati, Jillian  
McGuire, Rylee  
Moon, Anna  
Ray, Kirsten  
Richard, Emma  
Schones, Brittany  
Stitt, Kenneth  
Tilton, Garrett  
Wallin, Leo  
Walters, Austin

### **9th Grade**

Blandin, Matthew  
Brown, Megan  
Caffrey, Sarah  
Chesnut, Melody  
Collier, Christine  
Cornish, Stephanie  
Covel, Dalton  
Craig, Corin  
Cressey, Truman  
Field, Danielle  
Gilliatt, Colleen  
Glinos, Jeffrey  
Hucil, Marlin  
Marsh, Jeremy  
Mortenson, Ali  
Paquette, Haleigh  
Pond, Delia  
Rivera, Dimequa  
Rivera, Pantara  
Russell, Liam  
Sekula, Tyler  
Siegel, Katherine  
Turner, Kelsie  
Wells-Bogue, Madeleine  
Willis, Michael  
Wilson, Jacob

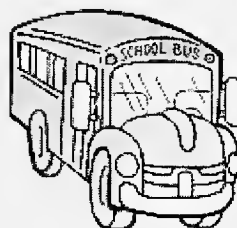
### **10th Grade**

Baslow, Patrick  
Bessette, Samantha  
Boyes, Susan  
Charbono, Kelsi  
Chase, Phillip  
Cheney, Adam  
Covel, Kaitlyn  
Cyphers, Joshua  
Eigenbrode, Sarah  
Fox, Hilary  
Gobin, Gregory  
Hagan, Owen  
Hunt, Daniel  
Jarvis, Amanda  
Kenny, Paige  
Kierstead, Nicholas  
Lane, Christopher  
Marks, Arianna  
Marks, Tamara  
Mayo, Devin  
McClory, Shawn  
Mitchell, Nichole  
Ordway, Chelsea  
Paquette, Kyle  
Ray, Karl

Richard, Evan  
Trottier, Daniel  
Valente, Rebecca  
Valliere, Ellie  
Walters, Molly  
Weber, Zachary  
Williams, Gregory

### **11th Grade**

Allen, Jordan  
Arnold, Kaitlyn  
Beaulieu, Aaron  
Berg, Anna  
Broughall, Katie  
Butler, Morgan  
Carey, Erin  
Clark, Stephen  
Conine, Andrea  
Cornish, Ashley  
Cunningham, Kayleigh  
Dupuis, Kelly  
Emerson, Heather  
Feldstein, Jeremy  
Giveen, Luke  
Guerin, Dylan  
Hoag, Charles  
Hutchins, Matthew  
Lamont, Brett  
Mortenson, Ashley  
Nason, Kristin  
O'Brien, Reed  
Pond, Morgan  
Shepherd, Karli  
Smith, Kristina  
Sullivan, Patrick  
Wells-Bogue, Merhawi  
Williams, John  
Wilson, Michael



### **12th Grade - SENIORS!**

Bailey, Maisea  
Bailey, Rebecca  
Buchanan, David  
Carmichael, David  
Cheever, Christopher  
Collier, Jennifer  
Cyphers, Jonathan  
Davidson, Carolyn  
Dazet, Victoria  
Feldstein, Nathan  
Figley, Tessa  
Guzman, Damian  
Hastings, Jessica  
Malnati, Jamie  
Marsh, Christopher  
Martineau, Chelsea  
Matyas, John  
Mellish, Ramsay  
Menezes, Marcelo  
Montmagny, Ben  
Muir, Grant  
Partridge, Shannon  
Peterson, Shannon  
Purdy, Alex  
Roy, William  
Russell, Grace  
Ryan, Matthew  
Schmidt, Alexandra  
Wallin, Kristina  
Wantuch, David  
Wells-Bogue, Yirgalem  
Wenz, Hannah  
Williams, Rebecca

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Grantham Village School Treasurer's Report

Bank Balance as of July 1, 2006		\$171,346.28
Deposits in Transit June 30, 2006		591.00
Outstanding AP Checks June 30, 2006		(53,713.53)
Outstanding Payroll Checks June 30, 2006		(15,354.78)
Plus Deposits		
Town of Grantham	4,838,228.00	
Food Service Income	61,196.53	
Building Aid	40,811.58	
Bank Interest	27,002.97	
Revenue from State Sources	10,956.01	
Catastrophic Aid	7,708.04	
Other Income	10,631.58	
Grants	85,351.00	
Total Income		5,081,685.71
Minus Checks		
Checks	(5,136,210.54)	
Outstanding AP Checks	51,006.55	
Outstanding Payroll Checks	26,593.02	
Total Expenditures		(5,058,610.97)
Transfers		
Trustee of the Trust Funds	(107,000.00)	
Tuition Trust Fund	43,000.00	
Special Ed Trust Fund	22,000.00	
Total Transfers		(42,000.00)
Bank Balance as of June 30, 2007		<u>\$83,943.71</u>

*Respectfully Submitted*

*Heather Grohbrugge Treasurer*



# Grantham Village School

## District Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2007

Moderator Carl Hanson called the 2007 Grantham Village School district Meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. He began the meeting by welcoming the audience and asking them to go over the approved rules of the meeting which are in the town report. He announced the Grantham School District election results as follows: Jeffrey D. Walla elected as a school board member for a 3 year term; Douglas Caffrey elected as a school board member for a 1 year term; Carl Hanson elected as the moderator for a 1 year term; Heather Grohbrugge elected as treasurer for a 1 year term; Brenda Molloy elected as school district clerk for a 1 year term. Mr. Hanson recognized Cynthia Chew, Chair of the School Board, and the rest of the school board members. He next recognized Superintendent John Moses and Principal Deb Trottier.

**Article 1** - To hear the reports of agents, committees and other officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto. School Board member Laurie Hanks made motion to approve Article 1 as written. A second was made. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

**Article 2** - To see if the District will raise and appropriate Five Million, One Hundred Seventy One Thousand, One Hundred Seventy Nine Dollars (\$5,171,179) for the support of the school, for the payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of said District, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from state and federal governments, together with other income, the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance which is to be raised by taxation by the District. This article includes the amounts described in Article 4, but does not include funds requested in any of the other articles. The School Board recommends this appropriation. Chair Cynthia Chew made motion to be accepted as written. Jeffrey Walla seconded.

Chair Cynthia Chew recognized Laurie Hanks for all her help with the budget slideshow presentation. She also thanked the board for all their efforts in developing the school budget. Mrs. Chew summarized article 2 and presented the School District Budget for 2007-2008. She explained the budget as written is 5,171,179 and for the building funds an additional \$70,000 bringing the total to 5,241,179. She noted the total of increase of \$128,055 or 2.5% over the 2006-2007 School Budget.

The major reductions in the budget are 1 less teacher than anticipated; the building is in place now, which is a decrease of 85,000 from last year; debt service from the last addition to building fund is finished. The major increases include special education, tuition and additional services including maintenance and administrative assistants. Mrs. Chew explained the increase in tuition to Lebanon Junior High as a fixed cost of \$12,714 per student with 52 students expected to attend for a total of \$661,128 representing an increase over last year of \$85,300. The costs at the high school decreased by \$16,133 due to 1 less student attending. She went over the budget function summary in the packet handout and pointed out the increases and decreases in the budget. She explained the instruction category decreased by \$29,000. This includes pluses and minuses as follows. Teachers get a 3.5% salary raise according to the contract, which we are in the now in the 3rd year. All paraprofessionals and their applicable expenses (workers comp, health benefits and retirement) have moved to the special education line, which categorizes their special education services. Health insurance was up over last year. Retirement, which is mandated by the state, has increased from 3.7% to 5.8% and represents almost \$13,000.

Mrs. Chew explained the building expenses have decreased by \$88,00 this year due to delivery and setup of the new classrooms. A new testing system is in place this year and has saved the school \$3000. Textbooks and supplies are down by 5% since last year's estimated number of kindergarteners did not enroll. This year's budget reflects an enrollment of 250 students. We have gained 20 to at times 24 students since the 2006-07 school year began to bring the current enrollment to 234. The school building is assessed to hold 253 students.

Enrichment totals \$27,250 and includes K-6 grades. A new system for enrichment funds is in place this year. The school board asked the school to define enrichment to determine what is being mandated by the curriculum plan and what is truly enrichment for the students. Enrichment categories will change for next year once the programs are determined. Substitutes increased by 50% from last year's budget due to maternity leaves. Special education includes all the paraprofessionals as stated above plus an additional day of a special education teacher has been added due to the caseload. GVS is in the outer limit of State of NH requirements and an additional day will put the school at the top of what is acceptable by the state. The cost of \$82,000 in special education was unexpected and is up by 28% over last year. This compares to previous year's budgets as follows; \$18,000 in 2004-05 and zero for 2005-06. She explained that the schools district must support children between the ages of 3 and 21 as directed by state requirements. There are no transportation cost increases this year.

The Extended year program for children who may loose too much knowledge over the summer without continued instruction is up by \$7,000 from last year. Due Process is budgeted for \$3000. Special Education students who go on to Lebanon Junior and Senior high school are serviced and paid for by Lebanon. The exceptions would be transportation issues or someone who needs a paraprofessional all the time for safety issues. Health services are up this year due to a more experienced nurse with different certifications and education. Occupational therapy, physical therapy and vision is up \$2000 from the actual. Mrs. Chew reminded the group that this is an expenditures budget and not a revenue one. An IDEA grant is expected to cover some of these costs. The amount is unclear at the time. Educational Media Services needs a TV cart and a digital camera for the school to use. The library renovation is \$6,000 for phase 2. This phase includes primarily lights. School Board legal fees increased by \$9,000 for negotiations of contracts this year. An 8% increase is included for an audit contract. This hasn't happened yet but is anticipated.

The SAU budget increased to reflect an extra hour of the administrative assistant's time to handle payroll now being done by the new software program. A full time maintenance person increased building services. This saves money spent for outside contracts for various items such as plumbing, staining the building and electrical needs. Some contracted services will still be needed such as the boiler, gym floor and septic. In house items such as the fence will be extended to the tennis courts and dugouts, a pad board outside the cafeteria for mud season, a game pad to be sued for hopscotch will be poured by the tennis courts. The supplies line will include some new floor mats, a floor varnisher and vacuum bags. Mrs. Chew spoke about the increase of \$70,000 being the last year for this fund cost. Once the amount is approved there will be \$300,000 in the building fund and the processes can begin.

Food services are mainly offset by student meal purchases and government subsidy. A discussion in a price increase and it was decided not to increase the amount to students. Mrs. Chew stated that most of the budget such as salaries, benefits, tuition, special education, insurance, transportation and utilities is mostly fixed costs.

Moderator Carl Hanson opened the floor to discussion of Article 2. He requested all speakers to identify themselves before asking a question. Rich Cramer asked what is the number of special education students currently. Mrs. Chew answered there are currently 22-23. Rich Cramer asked if there is an expected increase and Mrs. Chew said she couldn't predict that number. Mr. Cramer asked about the costs going to special education. Mrs. Chew stated that the primary costs are physical and occupational therapy along with all the benefits, salaries, etc. Mr. Cramer also asked about the projected number of students for GVS and how is this number arrived. Mrs. Chew explained the increase in kindergarteners provided by the New England School Development Council (NESDEC) last year didn't happen. Mr. Cramer cautioned at how numbers are projected and explained that the old ways may not be as accurate. He suggested using better statistics. He further explained that people plan children around the economy. Mr. Cramer also stated that looking at the economy and the relationship between the housing development and the increase in children may be another idea to project numbers of potential students. Mrs. Chew stated that an actual head count has been taken to determine the number of potential students for next year. Leslie Brown explained the expected number of students is based on the trends as they move through the grades in Grantham. The NESDEC report was accurate in reporting growth trends for each grade but not in birth numbers. Mr. Cramer emphasized his need to bring up the student growth numbers is to understand the increase in budget. He also said if you have x number of students times cost per student for supplies your budget will increase by that amount. Mrs. Chew reiterated that the only place to add on student costs is text books and supplies. Mr. Cramer asked about the average number of students per class. Mrs. Chew replied the average is about 18 to 20 per class.

Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Bob Osgood. Mr. Osgood spoke about transportation costs and the traffic flow at the school with cars entering and exiting dropping off and picking up children. He asked why the school buses are not being used to their full potential and are only running only 20 - 25% capacity. Most of the time he sees 15 kids on a bus that can hold up to 70. He asked if the school could save money on transportation costs. Mrs. Chew stated that the school is under a contract with the bus company, which includes gas and insurance. Mr. Osgood asked if the school could use a smaller bus and save on costs that way. Mrs. Chew said a smaller bus would cost more for insurance because they are used more and can go more places. She also added that the school gets a break if gas goes below the contract price but has to pay the difference if it goes up. Mrs. Chew stated the school has to provide for the potential number of students who ride the bus. School Board member Mr. Fuller stated it is a dilemma. Mr. Osgood said he drove a school bus for years and wonders about a school bus pulling into the yard with only a few kids on it. He also acknowledged that he understands the route problems the school faces too. He said that Route 11 is full of cars going in and out of the school to pick up kids who could be riding the bus that the school is providing. He explained when he was a Lebanon High School student Grantham school didn't provide transportation. He said today the school provides transportation and everyone drives their kids to school.

Phil Schaefer asked about the difference in cost between Lebanon Junior high and the high school. He asked why is it more for the junior high than the high school where there are more subjects and more opportunities. John Moses, Superintendent, explained the cost is based on a state report Lebanon makes to the Board of Education on cost of running the school per student. He explained that there are more Grantham students at the junior high than at the high school. Mr. Schaefer asked if anyone from the School Board reviews the report that Lebanon sends to the state. He questioned why the junior high school, which is overcrowded, is more expensive than the high school. Leslie Brown explained that Lebanon population is declining and the number of students going to Lebanon is increasing. GVS is a bigger percentage of the junior high school. The cost is arrived at the number of students divided by the cost. Mr. Schaefer stated he felt the kids coming out of GVS have a much better performance



level than those they join in Lebanon. He felt by the time they finish high school they are down to the same performance level as those they joined. Mrs. Chew reminded Mr. Schaefer that Lebanon has 5 schools sending kids to their school and Grantham has only one. Mr. Schaefer stated he felt the Grantham kids are better prepared when they leave GVS and that they are indistinguishable as a group in Lebanon.

Mr. Fuller clarified the two questions raised as 1) does this school board have any control over costs from Lebanon. He stated that there is no formal financial review and that according to the agreement Lebanon charges Grantham what they determine to be the cost. The second question raised is whether we have looked at alternatives to sending kids to Lebanon. Mr. Fuller said he has not looked at alternatives other than Lebanon. He also stated that Grantham has to abide by the AREA agreement with Lebanon.

Mrs. Helen Schotanus, former school board member and employee of the Department of Education, stated that Grantham has an AREA agreement with Lebanon and they have to accept our students. She referred to another school district who did not have an AREA agreement and couldn't find places for all their students to go. She confirmed that an AREA Agreement has lots of advantages and the school needs to keep that in mind.

Lin Hill asked about Enrichment Services and what that category includes. Mrs. Chew said the programs that take the most money is the environmental school was about 50% of the enrichment budget and was only used by the 6th grade. The Robotics, Hood Museum, Destination Imagination are among other items. The school board wants to know is which ones support the curriculum and which are just enrichment. Mrs. Hill wanted to go on record saying the \$27,000 is not nearly enough for the enrichment program. She stated that when the school is spending over \$200,000 on 22 special education students the amount of \$27,00 for enrichment for the entire school doesn't seem like enough.

Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Mr. Kevin Cheever. Mr. Cheever asked how many children there are per class at GVS. Leslie Brown gave the following numbers: Kindergarten (33); 1st (37); 2nd (37); 3rd (27); 4th (35); 5th(36); 6th (29) for a total of 234.

Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Lorie McClory. Mrs. McClory asked about the amount of money designated for certain categories for enrichment. Mrs. Chew gave the following breakdown: Artist in Residence \$2,500; Destination Imagination \$1,175; Environmental \$8,100; Hood Museum \$2,100; Robotics \$2,625. Mrs. Chew noted the Hood Museum includes the 3rd and 6th grades.

Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Zoe Legasse. Mrs. Legasse asked what is the role of a wellness coordinator. Mrs. Chew answered it is the physical education teacher and represents additional time for activities such as the walk for health program, snowshoeing, etc. Phys Ed encompasses more activities now than just basic sports.

Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Phil Schaefer. Mr. Schaefer referenced an earlier statement about the school capacity being 256 students. He asked how the extra space that is free now that the new building is in place is being used. Mrs. Chew said art and music and an additional classroom use the space. Leslie Brown stated the NESDEC report gave two numbers regarding the school's capacity. If the art and music room is used as a classroom the number is 253. If the space is rededicated as an art and music room the number is 230. As the number of student's increase and alternative space is limited it is important to have a room for these classes.



Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Jean Liepold. Mrs. Liepold asked how much is in the Special Education trust. Mrs. Chew said \$73,595 right now.

Moderator Carl Hanson asked for other questions. Mrs. Chew continued to present the rest of the slideshow presentation. The new building is in place and is functioning well for the children. The immediate needs now is space for Special Education classes to take place. Most of these classes with children are taking place in hallways and any available space at the time of the day that is not in use. This is not a good situation for children who are already distracted and need a quiet place to concentrate and learn. Storage space is another issue that is a need at the moment. The music room is now dedicated to the cafeteria or the gym but still requires the instruments to be moved for each class. The cafeteria is overflowing with children at staggered lunch times. Mrs. Chew stated she hoped with the new addition to the school some of these needs would be met by reconfiguring the spaces and enlarging the cafeteria. A new Building Steering Committee is in place and is working diligently on the new school project. The members of the committee include Tanya McIntire, Chairperson; John Clegg; Tony Hanslin; Andy Schmidt; and Bob McCarthy, Recorder. There is also a list of about 15 people who have offered their services when the need arises. Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Lorie McClory. Mrs. McClory asked about the septic problem in the new building and wondered if it has been cleared up yet. The problem was with a frozen pipe and the septic is fixed and working properly. There was no other discussion on Article 2. Moderator Carl Hanson gave instructions for a requested secret yes/no ballot. Moderator Carl Hanson asked the supervisors of the checklist to help count the ballots with clerk Brenda Molloy. There were 50 yes and 5 no votes for a total of 55 votes cast. Article 2 was adopted and written by a majority vote of 50 yes and 5 no.

**Article 3** - To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000) to be added to the Grantham Village School Board Fund, established at the School District Meeting on March 4, 1997 to be used for anticipated construction of a school building. The School Board recommends this appropriation. Leslie Brown made motion to adopt article 3 as written. A second was heard.

In 2004 the school board asked the voters for a new construction fund by adding an initial sum of \$100,000. The goal at that time was to put an additional \$100,000 in the fund over the next two years for a total of \$300,000. She explained when the last addition was put on to the school it was intended for additional programs for the school. By the time the new addition opened the enrollment numbers were at 191. In 2004 the school year began with 212 and now enrollment is up to 234. The school has enough space to handle the current student enrollment with two classrooms located in the new outside building. The school does not have enough space for programs, Special Education and the cafeteria is too small. In 2005, \$50,000 was added to the building fund and in 2006 an additional \$77,000. The sum of \$300,000 gives the school flexibility with the beginning design phase and there is also an interest cost savings. With New England's short building season construction needs to be in the spring. Moderator Carl Hanson asked for questions regarding Article 3. Moderator Hanson recognized Rich Cramer. Mr. Cramer stated potential political changes this year could affect how schools were funded and how education is changed. He questioned if these changes occur he hoped the school board would put the designated building money back in the budget for other future use. Moderator Carl Hanson asked for further questions. The Article was called to vote. Article 3 was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

**Article 4** - To determine and appoint the salaries of the Grantham School Board and fix the

compensation of any other officers and agents of the District as follows: Board Chair, \$300; 4 Board Members at \$200 per individual, \$800; School District Treasurer, \$500; School District Clerk, \$100; Moderator, \$50; Supervisors of the Checklist, \$25 per meeting. Mr. Bob Chew made motion to accept as written. Joy Gobin seconded.

Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Lin Hill. Mrs. Hill thanked Cynthia Chew for donating her entire 2005 school board salary to the playground committee. Moderator Carl Hanson next recognized Dan McClory. Mr. McClory said he tempted to make a motion to increase the school board salary for next year and stated he felt they were woefully underpaid. Moderator Carl Hanson asked for any further questions. The article was put to vote. Article 4 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote as written.

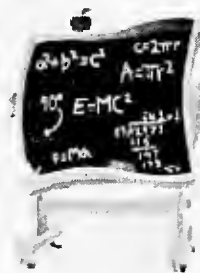
**Article 5** - To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting. Mr. Larry Fuller made motion to accept as written. A second motion was heard.

Moderator Carl Hanson recognized Lorie McClory. Mrs. McClory requested that next year's school board meeting be moved back to GVS. This would give people who have not had the opportunity to see the school a chance to do so and also to give the Parent Teacher Group space to provide babysitting for parents who want to attend. Moderator Carl Hanson asked for any further questions on Article 5. The article was put to vote. Article 5 was adopted by a unanimous voice vote as written.

Motion by Lorie McClory to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Warren Kimball seconded. The meeting adjourned by majority voice vote.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Brenda Molloy  
School District Clerk*



**SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT  
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
March 11, 2008**

**SULLIVAN, S.S.**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF GRANTHAM**

To the inhabitants of the School District of Grantham, in the County of Sullivan, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, Grantham Municipal Building located at 300 Route 10S, Grantham, New Hampshire, on Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 10:00 in the morning to act on the following subjects.

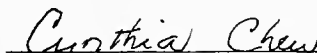
**ARTICLE 1.** To choose by ballot a Moderator, a Clerk, and a Treasurer, each to serve one year and two School Board Members to serve a three year term each.

Note: **Polls will be open from 10:00 AM until 7:00 P.M.** All other school district business will be considered at the **School District Meeting** to be held at **7:00 PM on Tuesday, March 4, 2008** at the Grantham Village School, 75 Learning Drive, Grantham NH.

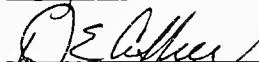
Given under our hands and seals at Grantham this 9th day of January 2008.

**A True Copy Attest:**

Cynthia Chew, Chair



Douglas Caffrey



Laurie Hanks



Leslie Brown, Vice Chair



Jeffrey Walla



**Grantham School Board  
A true copy of warrant-Attest**

**TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT 2008**

March 4, 2008  
Sullivan, ss

School District of Grantham

To the inhabitants of the School District of Grantham in the County of Sullivan, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grantham Village School Gymnasium in Grantham, New Hampshire, on Tuesday, March 4, 2008, at 7:00 PM to act upon the following subjects:

**ARTICLE 1.** To hear the reports of agents, committees, and other officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,400,000 (Gross Budget) for renovations to the existing facility and new construction and original equipping of an addition to the Grantham Village School building, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$7,150,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the school board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; furthermore, to authorize the withdrawal of \$250,000 from the School Building Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose and further to appropriate up to \$150,000 of bond interest to be used toward this project. (The School Board recommends this article) (2/3 ballot vote required)

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the District will raise and appropriate five million, three hundred and ninety-six thousand, eight hundred and fifty-five dollars (\$5,434,934) (**operating budget plus food service and IDEA federal grant**) for the support of the school, for the payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of said District, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from state and federal governments, together with other income, the balance which is to be raised by taxation by the District. This Article does not include funds requested in any of the other warrant articles. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the School Board)

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Grantham School District will vote to approve the cost item included in the three year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Grantham School Board and the Grantham Educational Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing levels:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Estimated Increase</u>
2008 – 2009	<u>\$60,668</u>
2009 – 2010	<u>\$ 62,798</u>
2010 – 2011	<u>\$ 65,541</u>

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,668 for the 2008 – 2009 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. (Recommended by the School Board)

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) to be added to the school district special education expendable trust fund previously established. (Recommended by the School Board)

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be added to the school district tuition expendable trust fund previously established. (Recommended by the School Board)

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Grantham School District will accept +/- 24 acres of the proposed subdivision for tax map 233 lot 075, currently known as 75 Learning Drive, Town of Grantham. (Recommended by the School Board)

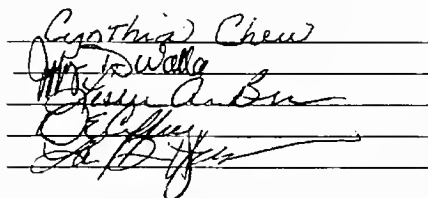
**ARTICLE 8.** Shall the Grantham School District, if article 4 is defeated, authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article 4 cost items only? (Recommended by the School Board)

**ARTICLE 9.** We, the undersigned registered voters of Grantham, NH, petition the Grantham School Board to include the following as an article on the March 2008 School District warrant. "Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the School District on the second Tuesday of March?" This article requires a 3/5 majority. (Not recommended by the School Board)

**ARTICLE 10.** To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals at said Grantham this 11 th day of February 2008.

A True Copy Attest:

The block contains five horizontal lines, each with a handwritten signature. The signatures are written in dark ink and are somewhat cursive. The first signature appears to be 'Cynthia Chew', the second 'Mr. D. Della', the third 'John A. B...', the fourth 'C. B...', and the fifth 'S. B. J...'. The signatures are written over the lines, with some ink bleeding through from the reverse side of the page.

Grantham School Board

MS-26

# SCHOOL BUDGET FORM

OF: \_\_\_\_\_ Grantham \_\_\_\_\_ NH

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year From July 1, \_2008\_ to June 30, \_2009\_

## IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

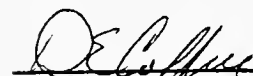
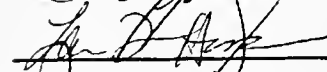

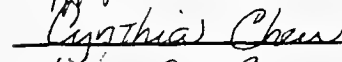
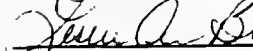
1. Use this form to list ALL APPROPRIATIONS in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): \_\_\_\_\_

11-Feb-08

### SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Please sign in ink.

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**THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT**

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
 MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION  
 P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487  
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MS-26 Budget - School District of Grantham FY 2009

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. WARR. ART.#	Expenditures for Year 7/1/06 to 6/30/07	Appropriations Current Year As Approved by DRA	Appropriations Ensuing FY (RECOMMENDED)	Appropriations Ensuing FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
<b>INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
1100-1 199	Regular Programs		3,271,779	3,355,551	3,529,898	
1200-1 299	Special Programs		440,965	590,171	575,306	
1300-1 399	Vocational Programs					
1400-1 499	Other Programs					
1500-1 599	Non-Public Programs					
1600-1 899	Adult & Community Programs					
<b>SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
2000-2 199	Student Support Services		235,450	217,508	212,808	
2200-2 299	Instructional Staff Services		72,306	94,360	117,131	
<b>GENERAL ADMINISTRATION</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
2310 8 40	School Board Contingency					
2310-2 399	Other School Board		20,834	29,648	23,332	
<b>EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
2320-3 10	SAU Management Services		200,788	167,720	175,160	
2320-2 399	All Other Administration					
2400-2 499	School Administration Service		163,721	185,754	191,094	
2500-2 599	Business					
2600-2 699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant		333,986	322,729	346,769	
2700-2 799	Student Transportation		99,873	105,744	136,038	
2800-2 999	Support Service, Central & Other					
3000-3 999	<b>NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES</b>					
4000-4 999	<b>FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS &amp; CONSTRUCTION</b>		2,838	7,000	3,000	
<b>OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
5110	Debt Service - Principal		140,000			
5120	Debt Service - Interest		2,888			
<b>FUND TRANSFERS</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
5220-5 221	To Food Service		81,607	94,994	86,319	
5222-5 229	To Other Special Revenue		86,334		38,879	
5230-5 239	To Capital Projects					
5251	To Capital Reserves (page 3)		77,000	70,000		
5252	To Expendable Trust (page 3)		30,000			
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts					
5254	To Agency Funds					
5300-5 399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.					
	SUPPLEMENTAL					
	DEFICIT					
<b>OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL</b>			<b>5,260,369</b>	<b>5,241,179</b>	<b>5,435,734</b>	

MS-26 Budget - School District of Grantham FY 2009**\*\*SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES\*\***

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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1251	Building Capital Reserve	77,000	70,000			
1250	Special Ed. Expendable Trust Fund			5	16,000	
1252	School District Tuition	30,000		6	30,000	
1230	Capital Project			2	7,400,000	
SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXXX	70,000	XXXX	7,446,000	XXXXXXXXXX

**\*\*INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES\*\***

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Examples of individual warrant articles might be: 1) Negotiated cost items for labor agreements; 2) Leases; 3) Supplemental appropriations for the current year for which funding is already available; or 4) Deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation.

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	Collective Bargaining Agreement - Teacher Contract			4	60,668	
INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXXX	-	XXXX	60,668	XXXXXXXXXX



MS-26 Budget - School District of \_\_\_\_\_ Grantham \_\_\_\_\_ FY 2009 \_\_\_\_\_

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	Estimated Revenues ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
<b>REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
1300-1349	Tuition				
1400-1449	Transportation Fees				
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		27,003	15,000	21,000
1600-1699	Food Service Sales		58,021	55,000	78,319
1700-1799	Student Activities				
1800-1899	Community Services Activities				
1900-1999	Other Local Sources		11,372		5,000
<b>REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
3210	School Building Aid		40,611	2,379	
3220	Kindergarten Aid				
3230	Catastrophic Aid			30,000	
3240-3249	Vocational Aid				
3250	Adult Education				
3260	Child Nutrition		1,075	1,000	1,000
3270	Driver Education				
3290-3299	Other State Sources				
<b>REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants			40,000	
4540	Vocational Education				
4550	Adult Education				
4560	Child Nutrition		9,881	7,000	7,000
4570	Disabilities Programs				
4580	Medicaid Distribution			75	
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (except 4810)				
4810	Federal Forest Reserve				
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>			<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>	<b>XXXXXXXXXX</b>
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes	2			7,150,000
5221	Transfer from Food Service-Spec.Rev.Fund		5,000		
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds		91,904		38,879
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds				
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds	2			250,000

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES cont.			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds		30,000		
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds				
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources				
5140	This Section for Calculation of RAN's (Reimbursement Anticipation Notes) Per RSA 198:20-D for Catastrophic Aid Borrowing RAN, Revenue This FY _____ less RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ =NET RAN				
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)				
	Voted From Fund Balance				
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		41,214	3,082	
	Total Estimated Revenue & Credits			153,536	7,551,198

**\*\*BUDGET SUMMARY\*\***

	Current Year	Ensuing Year
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 2)	5,241,179	5,435,734
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	0	7,446,000
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	0	60,668
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	5,241,179	12,942,402
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	153,536	7,551,198
Less: Amount of Statewide Enhanced Education Tax/Grant	1,204,011	1,175,079
Estimated Amount of Local Taxes to be Raised For Education	3,883,632	4,216,125

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RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT

01/01/2007 - 12/31/2007

-- GRANTHAM --

SFN	Groom's Name	Groom's Residence	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
2007000047	HOWE, CHRISTOPHER R	NEWPORT, NH	BARD, CASEY M	GRANTHAM, NH	NEWPORT	CROYDON	01/06/2007
2007000425	HILL, DAVID M	CLAREMONT, NH	LANE, RITA M	GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	GRANTHAM	02/10/2007
2007002051	FENN, JESSE L	ENFIELD, NH	POIRIER, KRISTEN B	GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	MOULTONBOROUGH	05/19/2007
2007002239	VANDIVER, WESLEY T	CROYDON, NH	HASTINGS, JACALYN M	GRANTHAM, NH	CROYDON	GRANTHAM	05/27/2007
2007003579	WEINSTEIN, DANIEL J	GRANTHAM, NH	IHLO, AMELIA R	GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	SUNAPEE	06/30/2007
2007005196	BENNETT, JONATHAN Q	GRANTHAM, NH	MOSELEY, JACQUELYN B	GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	WHITEFIELD	08/11/2007
2007005623	JENKYN, MARCUS L	GRANTHAM, NH	MYRICK, AARON B	GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	ALBANY	08/23/2007
2007005597	PETERS, AARON M	LOS ANGELES, CA	KEUP, HEIDI L	GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	NEW LONDON	08/25/2007
2007007769	PILLSBURY, TIMOTHY J	GRANTHAM, NH	BUHLER, MICHELLE A	GRANTHAM, NH	GRANTHAM	GRANTHAM	10/06/2007
2007008024	WHITE, BRETT D	GRANTHAM, NH	TIBBITTS, CARA E	GRANTHAM, NH	NEWPORT	NEWPORT	10/20/2007
Total number of records							10



BIRTHS

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RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT

01/01/2007 - 12/31/2007

--GRANTHAM--



1/14/2008

SFN	Child's Name	Date Of Birth	Place Of Birth	Father's Name	Mother's Name
2007001316	RICHARD,CALVIN JAMES	02/06/2007	LEBANON,NH	RICHARD,JEROME	RICHARD,MARY
2007002411	DANZOLL,HOLLING GRAVES	03/02/2007	LEBANON,NH	DANZOLL,CHARLES	MAXMAN,ABBY
2007002412	DANZOLL,ANA FRANCESCA	03/02/2007	LEBANON,NH	DANZOLL,CHARLES	MAXMAN,ABBY
2007002417	GAMSBY,NATHAN JOSHUA	03/04/2007	LEBANON,NH	GAMSBY,JOSHUA	GAMSBY,ROSALINDA
2007003371	PARSONS,OLIVIA ROSE	03/27/2007	LEBANON,NH	PARSONS,JOHN	PARSONS,MICHELLE
2007003779	BREEDLOVE,RILEY ELIZABETH	03/30/2007	LEBANON,NH	BREEDLOVE,JEFFREY	DESMARAIS,DENISE
2007004799	WALSH,NORA SUSAN	05/02/2007	LEBANON,NH	WALSH,EDWARD	WALSH,KAREN
2007004685	KINNE,CHRISTOPHER LAWRENCE	05/04/2007	CONCORD,NH	KINNE,DAVID	KINNE,SANDRA
2007005253	TUOHY,THOMAS WALKER	05/20/2007	LEBANON,NH	TUOHY,JOSEPH	TUOHY,LISA
2007005549	HOPKINS,WILLIAM PORTER	05/27/2007	LEBANON,NH	HOPKINS,SAMUEL	HOPKINS,JENNIFER
2007006200	FERLAND,REED NORMAN	06/06/2007	LEBANON,NH	FERLAND,KIRK	FERLAND,JENNIFER
2007007002	MARSH,KAMIDEN GREGORY	07/03/2007	LEBANON,NH	MARSH,GREGORY	KING,JESSIE
2007007146	HOISINGTON,JACOB CLIFFORD	07/08/2007	LEBANON,NH	HOISINGTON,DENNIS	O'KEEFE,CHRISTAL
2007008213	STEVENSON,ELIJAH JOHN-DAVID	08/02/2007	LEBANON,NH	BRITTON,STEVEN	STEVENSON,HEATHER
2007008323	BRITTON,BENJAMIN WARNER	08/03/2007	LEBANON,NH	BRITTON,STEPHEN	BRITTON,MELISSA
2007008339	NOWLAN,SIMON PETER	08/04/2007	LEBANON,NH	NOWLAN,STEPHEN	NOWLAN,SUSANNE
2007009124	HILL,LIAM JOSEPH	08/18/2007	LEBANON,NH	HILL,DAVID	LANE,RITA
2007009121	DURYEE,IAN DAVID	08/18/2007	LEBANON,NH	DURYEE,KENNETH	DURYEE,JESSICA
2007009123	DURYEE,EVAN GLENN	08/18/2007	LEBANON,NH	DURYEE,KENNETH	DURYEE,JESSICA
2007009233	ORSINO,ALEX ANTONIO	08/26/2007	LEBANON,NH	ORSINO,STEFANO	ORSINO,SANELA
2007009338	HADLOCK,QUINCY DOUGLAS	08/31/2007	LEBANON,NH	HADLOCK,PETER	HADLOCK,JULIA
2007011127	WIROGO,REBEKAH ELLIOT	10/07/2007	LEBANON,NH	WIROGO,SUTIKNO	SUGENG,SUSIEN
2007011135	CLARK,ROSEMARY JUNE	10/10/2007	LEBANON,NH	CLARK,TIMOTHY	CLARK,AMY
2007012473	BROWN,GARRETT SCOTT	10/19/2007	LEBANON,NH	LOPEZ,CHRISTOPHER	CAMPBELL,TERESA
2007011999	LOPEZ,CALEB ANTHONY	10/28/2007	LEBANON,NH	ERICKSON,BRADLEY	LOPEZ,ANIN
2007011476	ERICKSON,BERKLEY BOYD	10/30/2007	LEBANON,NH	LANNON,CHRISTOPHER	ERICKSON,PATRICIA
2007011914	LANNON,ROBERT WILLIAM COMIZIO	10/31/2007	LEBANON,NH	MOEYKENS,SHANE	COMIZIO,RENEE
2007013325	MOEYKENS,CONNOR ALAN	12/14/2007	LEBANON,NH	HARTSON,NATHAN	MOEYKENS,CAROLYN
2007013905	HARTSON,CHLOE ELIZABETH	12/26/2007	LEBANON,NH		O'KEEFE,JESSICA

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## DEATHS

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## RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

01/01/2007 - 12/31/2007

--GRANTHAM, NH --



01/14/2008

SFN	Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Military
2007000237	CULLEN, GERALD	01/08/2007	LACONIA	CULLEN, JOHN	REZENDES, MARY	Y
2007000974	KERWIN, KENNETH	02/04/2007	LEBANON	KERWIN, FRANCIS	FERRIE, KATHERINE	Y
2007000988	FISHER, LLOYD	02/04/2007	LEBANON	FISHER, ABRAHAM	LEMBECK, BERTHA	Y
2007001270	LACOUNT, BARBARA	02/08/2007	GRANTHAM	WILLIS, WILLIAM	HOLMES, EDITH	N
2007001532	RALPH JR, BERNARD	02/22/2007	GRANTHAM	RALPH SR, BERNARD	FINDEISEN, ESTHER	N
2007002106	SMITH, SUZANNE	03/13/2007	LEBANON	SMITH, ROGER	AVERILL, EUNICE	N
2007002904	MONAHAN, BEVERLY	04/10/2007	GRANTHAM	POLLARD, EARLE	RICKARD, ESTHER	N
2007002990	WILSON, RICHARD	04/12/2007	GRANTHAM	WILSON, DONALD	CRUMB, ELLA	Y
2007004115	ANDRYSIAK, SHARON	05/22/2007	LEBANON	CONWAY, MELVIN	RASMUSSEN, HAZEL	N
2007004466	RINDER, ROBERT	06/05/2007	GRANTHAM	RINDER, REUBEN	PERLMUTTER, ROSE	Y
2007004738	CLEGG, IM	06/16/2007	LEBANON	PORTMAN, GUY	BRACK, NICOLINE	N
2007004905	CORNELL, JAMES	06/21/2007	LEBANON	CORNELL, HORACE	BENNETT, ELICIE	Y
2007004935	BIERYLO, EDMUND	06/22/2007	NEW LONDON	BIERYLO, MICHAEL	WALISIEWICZ, FRANCES	Y
2007009227	FIGLEY, MARGARET	11/30/2007	GRANTHAM	HARRIS, JOSEPH	MATTHAI, MARGARET	Y
2007009724	HUTCHINS, WILLIAM	12/17/2007	LEBANON	HUTCHINS, EDWARD	HASTINGS, FLORENCE	Y

Total number of records 15

**TOWN OF GRANTHAM**

300 Route 10 South, Grantham, NH 03753 863-6021

**COMMITTEE, BOARD & COMMISSION APPLICATION**\_\_\_\_\_  
Name\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Board/Committee/Commission\_\_\_\_\_  
Address\_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone Number\_\_\_\_\_  
Work Phone Number\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

Many of Grantham's committees meet monthly, how many months of the year are you available? \_\_\_\_\_

1. Education \_\_\_\_\_

2. Special Interests \_\_\_\_\_

3. Present Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

4. Have you ever served on any Board/Committee/Commission? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If yes, in what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

5. What other volunteer experiences do you have? \_\_\_\_\_

6. Why do you want to serve on this Board/Committee/Commission? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Would you like to be considered as a candidate for any other Board/Committee of Commission?

\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If yes, please list:

8. References (please provide two)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_





## GRANTHAM TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, March 11, 2008

5 p.m.

Grantham Town Hall  
Lower Level Meeting Room  
300 Route 10 South

Polls open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.



## GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

Tuesday, March 4, 2008

7 p.m.

Grantham Village School Gymnasium  
75 Learning Drive

## ELECTION

Tuesday, March 11, 2008

Polls open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Grantham Town Bldg - Lower Level  
300 Route 10 South

